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FRANCE FACED WITH INFLATION UNLESS BUDGET IS BALANCED

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Improved Finances For First Half-Year.

800,000 FIND JOBS

London, To-day. Speaking at Stoke, yesterday, the Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, expressed the belief that it would be possible by Christmas to say that, in the past 12 months, work had been found for an additional 800,000 people. At the end of the first half of the present financial year, Britain's financial position was better by \$42,000,000 than at the corresponding date of last year. These facts gave reason for hope and quiet confidence, Sir John Simon said. — British Wireless Service.

BRITISH EXPORTS TO INDIA.

Increase Shown For Last Year.

London, To-day. The Secretary for India, Sir Samuel Hoare, stated in the House of Commons yesterday that the value of imports into India from the United Kingdom was nearly \$3,000,000, greater in the year ending March 1933, than in the previous year. Although in the six months ending September last there was a decline in comparison with the corresponding period of the previous year, the proportion of the whole import trade obtained by the United Kingdom rose from 35.6 to 36.8 per cent. in the first period and to 41.1 per cent. in the second. — British Wireless Service.

WORLD TRADE IMPROVES

October Exports Up 16.3 Per Cent. On April.

London, To-day. An increase in world trade is shown by the figures in the League of Nations statistical bulletin. Total exports during October were 16.3 per cent. above those of April, and imports increased by 8.3 per cent. The bulletin adds that while there is a continuous improvement in world trade, the value of October exports was 37 per cent. of the 1929 average, and that of imports only 35 per cent. — British Wireless Service.

BELGIAN POLICE BRIBED.

Chief Arrested For Corruption.

Brussels, To-day. M. Angerhausen, Chief of Police in Brussels, has been arrested, together with four important Police officials, on a charge of corruption. Angerhausen, according to the authorities, admitted complicity with M. Camille Pauwels, a petrol merchant, who was arrested early this week on a charge of fraud. It was revealed that he has been bribing the police to show favour in the case of motoring offences committed by Pauwels' clients. — Reuter.



One of the soundest of Indian statesmen, Sir Prabhakar Pantani, who was a representative of India at Geneva and at successive Round Table Conferences, is now in London as a delegate to the Joint Committee on Indian Reform. (S. & G.)

KOREAN MURDERED IN SHANGHAI

Interpreter To French Police.

THEORY OF POLITICAL MOTIVE

Shanghai, To-day. Oak Sing-hin, an interpreter in the service of the French police, was shot dead yesterday evening by an unknown assassin in the French Concession. He was the sixth Korean to be murdered in Shanghai in the last six months. While a political motive is suspected, the tragedy is enveloped in mystery, and in spite of intense investigations by French detectives, no arrests have been made. Oak Sing-hin was leaving a friend's home at 6.30 and had just opened the door when several shots rang out. He was rushed to hospital but died later with a bullet through his heart. — Reuter.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN ULSTER.

Numbers Decreased By One-Fifth.

London, To-day. Opening the Northern Ireland Parliament yesterday afternoon the Governor of Ulster, the Duke of Abercorn, said that the number of unemployed registering for work during the present year had fallen by one-fifth, the improvement being particularly marked in the building and linen trades. — British Wireless Service.

WAR DRAMA ECHO

Austrian General Passes.

ADVISED ARCHDUKE FRANZ TO GO TO SARAJEVO.

Vienna, To-day. General Potiorek, who, when Governor of Bosnia in 1914, advised the Archduke Franz Ferdinand to visit Sarajevo in July, 1914, and who was with the Archduke in his car when the Archduke was shot, died here to-day. General Potiorek subsequently commanded the Austrian army which invaded Serbia. — Reuter.

There will be no change in the composition of the Council of Ministers, it was announced in Berlin to-day. — Reuter.

M. REGINER WARNS SENATE

"1934 STABILISATION OF CURRENCIES"

U.S. GOVERNMENT RAISES GOLD PRICE AND BUYS BANK STOCK

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PARIS, TO-DAY. SPEAKING IN THE FRENCH SENATE LAST NIGHT THE FRENCH FINANCE MINISTER, M. BONNET, PREDICTED THAT THE UNITED STATES AND GREAT BRITAIN WOULD STABILISE THEIR CURRENCIES IN 1934. THE BUDGET RAPPOORTEUR, M. MARCEL REGINER, SAID THAT FRANCE FACED INFLATION UNLESS THE BUDGET WAS BALANCED. — UNITED PRESS, PER S. C. GOLD BAR CO.

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Washington, To-day. No official reasons are given for the higher gold price yesterday in the United States, but it is interpreted as evidence that the Administration still has faith in Professor Warren. The Chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, Mr. Jesse Jones, has announced that the total domestic gold purchases are 169,491 ounces. Mr. Jones said that the R. F. C. had authorised the release of U.S. \$540,000,000 of frozen deposits in closed banks. The R. F. C. had purchased U. S. \$608,000,000 of capital stock and notes in 3,160 banks Mr. Jones added. — United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

GOVT. OPPOSED TO INFLATION.

Paris, To-day. "We shall remain unshakable as adversaries of inflation," declared M. Bonnet, the French Finance Minister, in his speech last night during the Senate debate on the Finance Bill.

U.S. GOLD POLICY CONDEMNED

"Causing Monetary Uncertainty."

(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1891. Received December 19, 10.20 a.m.)

Chicago, To-day. Professor Harland Allen the prominent United States economist, yesterday said that commerce and industry generally had improved by several per cent. within the year, but still were from 35 to 40 per cent. below normal. Industrial and common stocks had risen 65 per cent. in depreciated dollars and six per cent. in gold, but were still 35 per cent. below 1926. The world-wide weakness of commodities was not promising, he said. "The outlook for 1934 hinges heavily on the curative soundness of President Roosevelt's programme," Prof. Allen declared. He added that President Roosevelt was wise in refusing to re-value the dollar now. — United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

ASIATIC STUDENTS.

Congress To Be Held In Rome.

London, To-day. The Rome correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" states that it is officially announced that a Congress of Asiatic students from every Asiatic country will be held in Rome from December 22 until December 27, under the auspices of the Institute for the Middle East and the Far East. The Congress aims at bringing together all the Asiatic students in Europe and Asia. The delegates will be chosen by their respective governments. — Reuter.

U.S. COMMERCE IMPROVES.

But Still 35 To 40 Per Cent. Below Normal.

Washington, To-day. The Brookings Institute of Economics, a private organisation, has made the statement that the Administration's gold policy could not be relied upon to restore prices but was causing a monetary uncertainty which might retard recovery, demoralise international trade, impede the flotation of capital issues and possibly deteriorate Government credit. The statement said that there was no connection between the price of gold and the recent rise of commodity prices. — United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

POLICY DEFENDED.

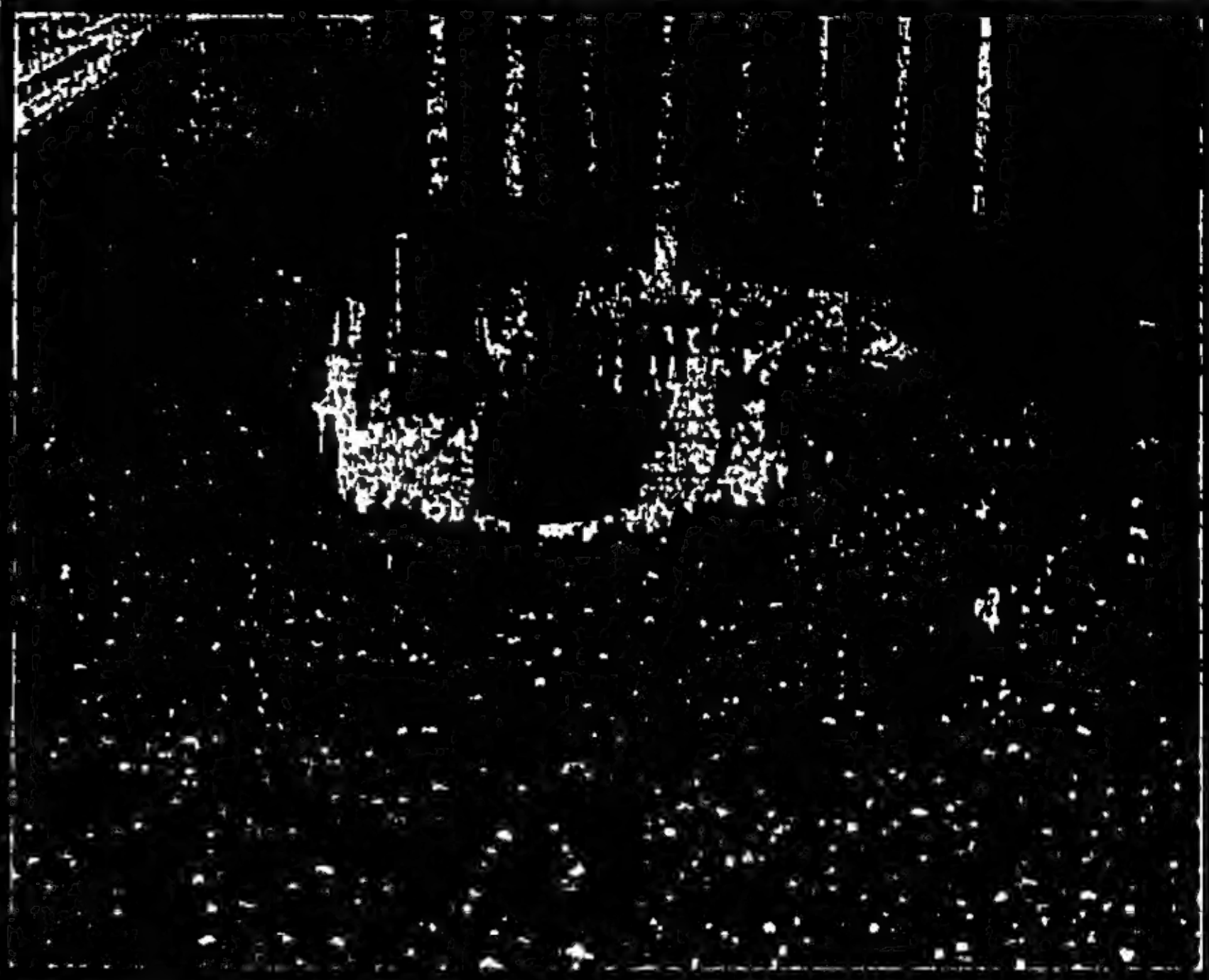
Commodity Prices Rise 5 1/2 Per Cent.

Washington, To-day. Replying to the statement of the Brookings Institution, that the United States gold policy may retard recovery, the Acting-Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Henry Morgenthau, yesterday announced that the Government's gold-buying programme had induced a rise of 5 1/2 per cent. in commodity prices, with which he was satisfied. He announced that the Treasury, last week, purchased U.S. \$16,600,000 worth of Government bonds, and added that the price of gold had risen by 16 per cent. and the price of commodities by 5 1/2 per cent. since October 21. — Reuter.

MANCHESTER CITY BEAT AUSTRIANS.

Three Clear Goals At Maine Road.

Manchester, To-day. Manchester City, defeated Liverpool's team when they beat the Austrian Football Club's team, seven by three goals, at Maine Road yesterday. — Reuter.



Armistice Day in London. A general view of the impressive Two Minutes Silence at the Mansion House and Royal Exchange, London, showing some of the enormous crowd. (S. & G.)

FRENCH CIVIL SERVANTS STAGE DEMONSTRATION

400 Arrests Made During Scene Outside Senate

Paris, To-day. Four hundred people were arrested yesterday evening, including M. Neumover, the Secretary of the Federation of Civil Servants, when the police broke up a demonstration staged by French civil servants against the tax imposed on their salaries. The demonstration was held outside the Senate where the Finance Bill was being debated. — Reuter.

GERMANY TO DEFAULT LOAN INTEREST

Will Pay 30 Instead of 50 Per Cent.

DAWES AND YOUNG PLANS UNAFFECTED

(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1891. Received December 19, 9.40 a.m.)

Berlin, To-day. The President of the Reichsbank, Dr. H. Schacht, at a meeting of the Reichsbank Central Committee yesterday, announced that Germany, during the next six months, will transfer only 30 per cent. of the interest payments on foreign long-term loans. Instead of 50 per cent. — United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co. The remaining 70 per cent. will be payable in script. The Dawes and Young Plans loan will not be affected. — United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

Foreign Trade Losses.

Berlin, To-day. A gloomy picture of Germany's foreign trade situation was yesterday painted by Dr. Schacht, President of the Reichsbank, who challenged the conclusions of foreign creditors. He pointed out that further transfers would have to cease completely if additional German exports were no longer possible. (Continued on Page 12.)

MR. H. W. PILLOWS DEATH.

Former Missionary In China.

London, To-day. The death occurred early to-day at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, after an operation, of Mr. H. W. Pillows, who, for 40 years, was a missionary in China. He was a former acting-Chairman in Hunan Province. — Reuter.

MANCHURIAN TRAIN BANDITS DEFEATED

Routed By Japanese Troops.

FOILED AFTER PULLING-UP RAIL TRACK

Harbin, To-day. In the vicinity of Sarin, 400 bandits pulled up the spikes along two rails with the intention of wrecking an eastward-bound train on the Trans-Siberian railway. Major Ando, the Garrison Commander, received information of the intended ambush and dispatched a force of Japanese infantry, cavalry and artillery with which he attempted to surround the bandits. In the course of an all-night battle the bandits were routed with heavy losses. This morning the express arrived, ran over the unspiked rails and passed the danger zone without incident. — Reuter.

GEN. O'DUFFY'S ARREST

Profound Sensation In Free State.

UNITED IRELAND PARTY MEETING YESTERDAY

Dublin, To-day.

General O'Duffy's arrest has caused a profound sensation in the Irish Free State, but no disorders have resulted. He and two companions were detained all night long at Westport Police Barracks, round which soldiers wearing steel helmets kept guard. It was understood that the prisoners would be brought to Dublin yesterday afternoon and lodged in Arbourhill military prison. No charge has yet been formulated, but presumably it will have reference to the wearing of the Blue Shirt. All available members of the United Ireland Party of which General O'Duffy is President, met in Dublin yesterday under the chairmanship of Mr. Cosgrave. — Reuter.

"HABEAS CORPUS" INVOKED

Dublin, Later.

Mr. Justice Johnston has granted permission to the United Ireland Party's legal advisers to apply to the High Court for a Writ of Habeas Corpus in respect to General O'Duffy's arrest. The application will be heard to-morrow. — Reuter.

SKIPPER COMMITS SUICIDE

Grim Drama Off Cyprus.

AMERICAN STEAMER RUNS AGROUND

London, To-day.

A grim drama on the high seas, in which the captain of a 6,000-ton American vessel committed suicide after his ship ran ashore off north Cyprus, is revealed in two messages received by Lloyds.

Both messages were received within 24 hours. The first, which was received early yesterday, briefly stated that the ship, the "Exarch," was aground off north Cyprus with "engines disabled" and making water, and asked for assistance. The second S.O.S., which revealed the tragedy, stated: "Captain has committed suicide. Vessel in no immediate danger. We intend to continue as soon as the weather becomes favourable."

No further details have since been received. — Reuter. The "Exarch" is a steel-screw ship of 5,976 tons gross, and is the third largest ship of a fleet of 24 owned by the Exports S.S. Corporation, of New York. Built in 1921, she was formerly named as Naamhook. Her dimensions are: length, 400.7 feet, breadth, 54.2 feet, depth, 30.4 feet.

JAPANESE NAVAL CONSTRUCTION

Discrepancies In Cruisers.

LONDON COMMENT

London, To-day. Japan's naval construction is featured in the foreword to "Jane's Fighting Ships" the annual register of men-of-war, which is published to-day. It quotes the instance of the "Mogami" class cruisers, nominally 3,500 tons which carry 15 8.1 inch guns and comments that it is difficult to see how such a battery can be carried on a displacement of 1,500 tons less than that required by the United States "Brooklyn" class. — Reuter.

BEAUTIFUL GIRL SHOT DEAD.

Banker's Daughter Victim Of Rioters.

TERRORISM IN CUBA.

London, To-day.

An Havana telegram received here to-day, states that seven people have so far been killed in a new outbreak of terrorism in Cuba during last week-end. The victims included the beautiful daughter of the banker, Senor Franca, an unpopular member of the Junta which ruled Cuba early in September. The crowd stormed Senor Franca's house and beat Franca and his son-in-law and shot dead the daughter when she intervened. Six people were killed and many wounded when the police fired on demonstrators who set fire to the Havana office of the newspaper, "Spies." — Reuter.

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Upon presentation at the office of the Company of Bankers' receipt for the payment of such Call, together with the Certificate of Shares, a note of the payment will be endorsed on the Certificate.

Dated this 21st day of September, 1933.

By Order of the Board,
ALLAN KEITH,
Secretary.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB NOTICE.

THE entries for the ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1934, will close at 3.00 p.m. on SATURDAY, 20th. January, 1934.

Members are reminded that no horse is eligible to enter for any race meeting of this Club until an Official Racing Certificate shall have been obtained in respect of the horse.

All Members intending to enter Griffs at the Annual Meeting are requested to apply for Official Racing Certificates in respect of such Griffs without delay. Also Members who have not yet registered racing names or colours will oblige by doing so at their earliest convenience.

By Order,
C. H. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 18th December, 1933.

First Soviet Envoy to U. S.



Like many others who now hold important posts in the New Russia, Alexander Antonovich Troyanovsky, appointed as first Soviet Ambassador to the United States, suffered the lash of persecution during the Czarist regime. Joining the revolutionary movement when a graduate of 20, Troyanovsky was hounded by the secret police until he was caught and sent to Siberia. He escaped after a year in the frozen wilderness and took refuge in France until the revolution of 1917, when he returned to Russia and fought in the revolutionary army. Since then he has held many important posts in the Soviet government, principal among them being that of Soviet Ambassador to Tokyo, during the period when Japan was invading Manchuria and China. He is considered an expert on the Far East.

RADIO TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.s):—

1-2.15 p.m.—European programme.

1 p.m.—Local Time & weather Report.

1.5 p.m.—Recorded music.

1.15 p.m.—A relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room by courtesy of the Management. (During the intervals recorded music will be broadcast from the Studio).

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

Four Studio Items To-night.

4.30-7.30 p.m.—Chinese programme.

7.30-10.30 p.m.—European programme.

7.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations, etc.

7.35-8 p.m.—From the Studio.

The 14th of a series of lessons in "Cantonese" by the Rev. Mr. H. R. Wells.

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

8.3-8.45 p.m.—From the Studio.

A Pianoforte recital by Mr. O. P. Pupila.

Programme

(a) Menuet (Mozart)
(b) Valse Lente (Debussy)
Miss Annie Cheung

2. Andante cantabile (Beethoven)
Miss Muriel Gubbay

3. (a) Menuet (Schubert)
(b) Norwegian Bridal Procession (Grieg)
Miss Elisabeth Johnson

4. (a) Hungarian (Dvorak)
(b) Battle of Spring (Blind)
Miss Irene Lum (Age 14)

5. Barcarolle (Tchaikovsky)
Miss Bella Ma.

8.25-8.45 p.m.—Selections by the Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards conducted by Capt. George Miller.

The Grenadiers' Waltz (Waldteufel), arr. Winterbottom
Nail Gypsy Dance (German)
Acclamations Waltz (Waldteufel)
8.45-9.45 p.m.—From the Studio.

Selections by the Orchestra of the a.m. "President Pierce"

9.45-10 p.m.—
Sonata Appassionata (In F Minor) (Beethoven, Op. 57)
Harold Bauer.

10-10.15 p.m.—From the Studio.
Jazz Piano Selections by Fongping Ylin.

Programme

1. Melody in F
2. When the Bells of the Night meet the Gold of the Day
3. Elpis in my Heart
4. As You Desire Me
5. The Young Man
6. The Young Man
7. Echoes of Pearly
8. Thanks

10.15-10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

Recorded music from the Studio.

The programme between 7.30 and 8.45 p.m. will be replaced by a relay from the Studio.

CINEMA NOTES

MAIL REVIEW

"42nd STREET"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

In "42nd Street", Warner Brothers' extravaganza of melody and mirth, now showing at the Queen's Theatre, a complete Broadway musical comedy is presented, scene for scene, while the story of the back-stage life is told.

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MAIL REVIEW

"THE MIDSHPMAID"—KING'S THEATRE

"The Midshepmid", now showing at the King's Theatre, is just the sort of light entertainment that is appreciated by all. There are no problems set for solving, no reasons to advance for anything that is done in this bout of "merrymaking". Everything is, so inconsequent that a ripple of laughter accompanies the actions of all.

Fred Kerr plays the part of the pompous economy expert, Jessie Matthews, his light-hearted daughter, and A. W. Backcomb is seen as a lugubrious able bodied seaman.

MAIL REVIEW

"DON'T BET ON LOVE"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

Low Kyras, had a role that greatly befitted him in "Don't Bet On Love", the latest Universal screen drama, which is now showing at the Central Theatre.

An all-star supporting cast included Ginger Rogers, Lucille Webster, Gleason, Mark Kennedy, Charles G. Harris and Shirley Gray.

MAIL REVIEW

"THE WARRIOR'S HUSBAND"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

"The Warrior's Husband", now showing at the Oriental Theatre, is a particularly novel and amusing comedy set in a mythical period of world history when countries were ruled by Amazons.

Ellena Lamb, has the leading role. The supporting cast includes Majorie Rambeau, Ernest Tracy and David Manners.

BRIDGE NOTES

CONTRACT BRIDGE

BY ANCHORITE

XV

(This series of articles is based on Culbertson's system of bidding).
THE APPROACH SYSTEM

Choice of Opening Bid

In most hands, the opener has generally a choice between some suit which could be bid as trump, or of a no-trump bid.

The two principles in the approach systems are:

1. That whenever a hand contains any kind of biddable suit (even a shaded four-card minor) this suit should, as a rule, be preferred to a no-trump in opening the bidding.

2. That responding hand should not only prefer a suit response (even a four-card shaded biddable suit), but should, whenever possible, endeavour to keep his responses within the range of "one" bids.

The above rules are very important and are actually the base of the approach system. Failure to follow them will crowd the bidding, so that much valuable partnership information will be lost.

An opening bid of "One" or a response of "One" are ideal bids in Contract. Only in cases when the trump suit is solid (when a pre-emptive bid is made), or when the hand is so powerful that a special bid must be made in order to assure a response from partner, are higher bids resorted to.

In Contract more than 90 per cent. of all opening bids are "one" bids in a suit, and are based on honour strength varying from 2½-5½ honour tricks.

The success of the approach principle depends upon the use of the "negative" one no-trump response. Only a hand containing less than an Ace and a Queen would be justified in passing.

Responding hand must, whenever possible, take-out or raise in a suit, and if there is no intervening bid, and a minimum hand is held, bid "One No-trump" (negative bid) in order to keep the bidding open and give opener another opportunity to bid.

Negative Bids

It is only in later years that bids on a four-card suit have been permissible. In order that these bids be successful, the approach system introduced the definite rule that minimum trump requirements be raised to three trumps headed by a Queen, or four small ones. It was also found necessary to modify the take-out and denial bids in responding hand, which was done by introducing the negative no-trump, which merely shows an average hand (about 1½ honour trick), with the object of keeping the bidding low at the opening stage, should opening hand prefer a no-trump, or possibly hold another biddable suit.

The responding hand must equally respond with suit bids of "one" whenever possible.

Although an opening bid of one in a suit must always be bid in preference to a no-trump bid, a hand containing the necessary honour tricks, but no biddable suit must naturally not refrain from bidding for this reason. The requirements for an opening bid of "One No-trump" are three honour tricks, not vulnerable, and four vulnerable.

Opening Bids of Two in a Suit

An opening bid of two in a suit is a forcing bid. It is made on a very powerful hand, and where a bid of one would run the risk of being passed by partner, in case the "shaded" bid was less than a minimum response to a one bid. It guarantees an unusual concentration of honour tricks, and is forcing, that is, partner must under no condition pass the bidding until game is reached.

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JOHN ROBERTS MAY PLAY FOR COLONY XV

(By SCRUM HALF).

NO further word has been received from the manager of the Australian Universities' touring team, which is expected to pass through the Colony next month on the way to Japan.

While on the subject I might mention that John Roberts, the Welsh international centre three quarter, is likely to be invited to play for the Colony. He is stationed up the Coast.

This would mean that Hong Kong would be in the position to field three internationals—"Jake" Selby and D. St. Clair Ford, both of Scotland, being the other two.

A P. Hall Thompson, who is at present in the Colony, will be leaving for home shortly after Christmas, and will thus be unable to assist the Club in the Triangular Tournament series as was first anticipated.

Cpl. Suter, the Borderers' front row forward, played a sterling game in the House for the Army on Saturday, after playing in the Second Division soccer game between the Borderers and the Athletic in which he figured at full-back.

The Club are fielding an "A" fifteen against either an Army "A" or a Borderers "A" at the Valley at 2.45 p.m. on Saturday, preceding the Triangular Tournament game between the Club and the Navy. This will be the third Saturday in succession that two matches have been arranged for the one day, and speaks well for the untiring efforts of S. H. Garrod, the Club match-secretary.

Losing the services of Hall Thompson, J. C. Millar, Dr. J. H. McElney, their skipper, and W. E. Peers, the Club, since their surprise defeat at the hands of the Army earlier in the season and their subsequent four defeats by the Navy, have failed badly to repeat their form of last season when they won the Interport by a decisive margin and carried off the Triangular Tournament Cup.

The trouble has been mainly at forward, though the handling and passing of the Club backs in the majority of matches has not been all that could be desired. Lack of weight in the tight scrummages has seen the Club lose the ball more times than they have gained it, and the situation lies in the second row combination. Now that Peers has come back I hope to see Bradford in his true position but I cannot find a suitable partner (with weight) for him. The only three I can see, who would fit according to balance, are Garrod, D. M. Wheeler, and K. Noble.

The front row provides another difficulty as there does not appear to be the right man to fit in with Peers (hooker) and E. F. Walkden. With C. Austin not as fit as he might be, I would like to have seen L. de C. Biechyden fill the position, but I fear he has not fulfilled the promise he showed in his first game here. D. A. Cumming is essentially a wing forward and would not fit in the front row, and H. A. Browning's form has been most disappointing, considering the fact that he is a Shanghai "cap." With G. A. Stewart, D. McLellan, who should be fit by Saturday, and R. O. F. King comprising the back row the front row situation is the only one which should really trouble the selectors for Saturday's team against the Navy.

With little to lose and much to gain, the selectors may be tempted to try a few changes, but it is difficult to see how they can improve on the present front row.

Teddy Fincher Heads Batting Averages

A.K. Ismail Leads T.A. Pearce In Bowling List

PREMIER LEAGUE AVERAGES

(By ATHOLE)

BATTING	Inns	Runs	H.S.	N.O.	Ave
E. C. Fincher (K.C.C.)	2	118	97	0	59.00
Capt. Williams (Army)	2	109	87	0	54.50
A. H. Rumjahn (I.R.C.)	3	124	58	0	41.33
L. S. Peatfield (Navy)	3	58	46	1	29.00
H. Owen Hughes (H.K.C.C.)	2	57	57	0	28.50
Major Bonavia (Army)	2	50	44	0	25.00
Lt. Comdr. Stephenson (Navy)	4	96	44	0	24.00
E. F. Fincher (K.C.C.)	2	46	44	0	23.00
Lt. Eaden (Navy)	3	58	43	0	19.33
Sub-Lt. Sinclair (Navy)	4	72	32	0	18.00
A. S. Sufiad (I.R.C.)	3	36	19	1	18.00
F. R. Zimmern (C.C.C.)	3	50	31	0	16.66
J. L. Youngs (C.C.C.)	3	32	19	0	16.00
Lt. Walker (Army)	2	31	22	0	15.50
F. D. Pereira (I.R.C.)	2	29	27	0	14.50
A. H. Madar (I.R.C.)	2	29	28	0	14.50
A. B. Hammon (C.C.C.)	3	39	31	0	13.00
S. A. Ismail (I.R.C.)	3	36	32	0	12.00
A. R. Minu (I.R.C.)	2	22	22	0	11.00
J. S. A. Curreen (I.R.C.)	3	55	34	0	18.33

denotes not out
I. A. Garthwaite (Army), 32 and 28 not out; N. A. E. Mackay (K.C.C.) 27 and 45 not out; G. C. Burnett (K.C.C.) 27 not out and 8; S. V. Gittins (K.C.C.) 0 and 22 not out; A. Baker (I.R.C.) 1 not out, 7, 6 and 7 not out; A. K. Ismail (I.R.C.) 0 not out and 4 not out; T. A. Pearce (H.K.C.C.) 22 and 20 not out; L. A. Cheyne (Navy) 36 not out and 22; P. Off. Morris (Navy) 0 and 1; not out; and L. Larkin (Navy) 12 not out and 14 are not qualified in the above table which demands two completed innings and an average of 10.

BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Ave.
A. K. Ismail (I.R.C.)	7	2	15	3	5.00
T. A. Pearce (H.K.C.C.)	16	1	59	9	6.55
F. D. Pereira (I.R.C.)	30	9	65	9	7.22
J. E. Smith (H.K.C.C.)	15	3	31	4	7.75
Sgt. Taylor (Army)	10	1	25	3	8.33
A. C. Beck (H.K.C.C.)	21	4	57	6	9.50
G. C. Burnett (K.C.C.)	24	4	68	7	9.71
A. R. Minu (I.R.C.)	28	5	100	7	14.28
L. Lee (C.C.C.)	25	2	103	7	14.71
I. A. Garthwaite (Army)	25.5	1	118	8	14.75
Lt. Marsham (Navy)	19.4	2	59	4	14.75
A. T. Lee (C.C.C.)	31.5	5	120	7	17.14
A. H. Madar (I.R.C.)	13	2	52	3	17.33
U. M. Omar (C.C.C.)	27	5	88	5	17.60
L. Hubbard (C.C.C.)	10.3	0	39	2	19.50
Lt. Eaden (Navy)	19	1	81	3	27.00
W. C. Hung (K.C.C.)	17.5	5	57	2	28.50
L. S. A. Richards (Navy)	40	4	119	4	29.75
A. Baker (I.R.C.)	12	0	33	1	33.00
A. B. Large (Navy)	13	0	60	1	60.00

The qualification for the above table is one wicket in two matches.

GARTHWAITE INJURED

Stands Down From Army Eleven.

CRAIG NEARLY EQUALS LINCOLNS RECORD

(By ATHOLE)

Lt. Garthwaite received a nasty knock behind his ear when Capt. Williams straight drove a ball from Pte. Lilley and he was unable to get out of the way in time during their second wicket partnership of 134 for the Artillery against the Lincoln's last Thursday.

He was then 57, but pluckily continued to add 17 before being bowled by Pte. Ulliyatt. Garthwaite very wisely bowled only six overs, going on as fourth change bowler. He did not play for the Army against the Small Units on Saturday.

In the epic struggle at the K. C. C., in which 490 runs were scored for 6 wickets, Lt. Craze, by carrying his bat for 122, came within two runs of E. M. Trow's Battalion record of 124 not out, scored against the Buffs Depot at Canterbury in 1923.

Lt. Col. E. J. de C. Boys M. O., the Commanding Officer of the Lincoln's, Capt. H. Marshall, and Mrs. Marshall were interested spectators.

E. A. Ismail, the Indian skipper, and Teddy Fincher, the K.C.C. batting skipper, led the batting list with four not outs.

D.B.S. TALENT PROMISING

HULSE AND G. T. LEE BOWL IMPRESSIVELY

Fong's Fine Defence And Rapley's Clean Hitting.

WESTLAKE'S "FIREWORKS"

Todd Excels All Round For Ordnance Corps

(By ATHOLE)

THE Diocesan Boy's School put up a very good display against a fairly representative K.C.C. eleven on Saturday. A. J. Hulse (2 for 43) again bowled well, but without luck. Sending the ball down from the full extent of his arm he comes off very fast on a matting wicket, and, being slightly short of a length, is most disconcerting to play. He had C. I. Stapleton caught after conceding only 8 runs.

G. T. Lee, a brother of "Tinker" Lee, also showed good form with the ball, though he had only 1 for 27. He has a very similar action to his brother, but is not quite so fast off the pitch. He batted well for his 47, scored out of 107, hitting five boundaries and having two overthrows to his credit. He was eventually beaten by W. C. Hung's faster ball.

I was talking to one of the K.C.C. players after the match and he said, "If we had their attack we would win the championship!"

Fong's Good Defence

W. Rapley showed fine promise when collecting 27 out of the 35 added for the first wicket. He hits the loose ball very hard and has the patience to wait for it. I was very impressed by J. Fong's display. Very small in build, he has been forced to adopt a defensive shot when a taller batsman would be able to get his left foot out to the pitch of the ball, and the result is that he is already a very difficult batsman to move. An idea of his stubbornness can be gathered from the fact that he scored 31 out of 114 before being beaten by Hung.

The fielding of the schoolboys was excellent. R. Broadbridge, who will shortly become one of the Colony's best cover points, excellently himself by good anticipation and accurate throwing into the wicket.

I was frankly amazed at the standard of the D.B.S. and it reflects great credit on Mr. C. B. R. Sergeant, the Headmaster and K.C.C. premier league player, and to a smaller extent on J. L. Youngs, the Craigenower first league player. Their win by 165 runs demands a return fixture, preferably at the K.C.C.

Todd's All-Round Feats

Sgt. Todd was very much in the limelight for the Ordnance Corps against the Engineers in the Small Units League on Friday. Taking 5 for 28, he was responsible for the R. E.'s low total of 72. He took the wickets of Lt. Col. Marsden (21), Q.M.S. Blackler (3), Spr. Budden (1), and Maj. Mowley (3) for 1 run.

Todd followed up his bowling feat by scoring 35 out of 55 to enable the Ordnance to win by 5 wickets in the face of very accurate bowling by Spr. Wells (6 for 49).

Todd hit no fewer than eight boundaries in a match winning knock. In partnership with Cpl. Barnett (15) he added 33 for the eighth wicket.

Westlake's "Fireworks" E. F. Westlake played a hurricane knock for the Civil Service.

99 RUNS SCORED IN 90 MINUTES

STEPHENSON & PEATFIELD PUT ON 87 RUNS

F. R. ZIMMERN BATS BRIGHTLY

(By ATHOLE)

THE absence of E. Zimmern and U. M. Omar, two batsmen who can use the long handle to advantage, was responsible for Craigenower's poor reply of 99 for 4 to the Navy's 154 for 7 in the premier league game on the matting wicket at King's Park on Saturday.

With approximately 90 minutes' play ahead of them the Valley team should have made a much better response in spite of the fact that they were playing on the biggest ground in the Colony and one on which the boundary is difficult to reach.

This was the Navy's second drawn game in four matches, having shared the spoils with the Army and lost to the Club and the I.R.C., while Craigenower collected their first point after suffering defeats at the hands of the Navy's conquerors.

The Navy started disastrously success that he collected 49 out of when they lost Lt. Marsham with 87 before being caught off a skier only a single score, but a recovery to provide Y. Abbas with an expensive wicket. It was a full toss (25) and Lt. Larkin (14) added 36 for the second wicket before Larkin was well caught at point by F. Comdr. Stephenson to add 87 for the fourth wicket.

"Tinker" Lee, bowling his leg theory, was coming off very fast on the matting wicket and none of the batsmen were able to gauge his cleverly varied pace. His first seven overs had yielded 16 runs before he broke through Sinclair's guard at 41.

Peatfield Makes Merry Encouraged by two boundaries off Lee's last over Peatfield began to use the long handle with such

vice juniors against Queen's College on Saturday.

Going in at the fall of the third wicket at 15 he used the long handle to such advantage that a six (off A. R. Marker) and 14 boundaries were included in his 68, scored out of 87. The side only totalled 108.

Punished only by Westlake, Bahaguen Singh returned the best College analysis with 4 for 24. He had his revenge, however, when he clean bowled the hitter.

Queen's College were trundled out by W. H. Edmonds (6 for 32) in just over an hour for 53, of which M. Afzal claimed 29. In partnership with F. J. de Rome (8), the veteran Interporter, he added 32 for the third wicket, and included six boundaries in his innings.

Navy's Opening Stand

The K.C.C. juniors never looked like winning after Lt. Comdr. Hughes (37) and Sub. Lt. Smith (20) had given the Navy a good start with 62 for the first wicket. L. S. Ford then came in to hit a ball from F. S. W. Smith out of the ground and collect nine boundaries in his 57.

Securing Smith's wicket in his first over A. B. Large (5 for 24) proved irresistible and the home team were dismissed for 104 in reply to 187 for 7. He dismissed G. Lee (48) G. A. White (19), and E. Simcocks (0) for 5 runs.

G. Lee, the K.C.C. veteran scored 48 out of 63, hitting eight boundaries, being particularly severe on Hughes. In partnership with White (13) he added 52 for the seventh wicket.

Triumph For Nichols.

Fine bowling by Nichols the Essex fast bowler and all-rounder gave England victory over India by 9 wickets in the first Test match which concluded at Bombay yesterday. He took 5 for 55 to dismiss the side for 258 after they had been 207 for 8; England lost Mitchell before they scored the necessary 40 runs—Bowler.

A. RUMJAHN TAKES 15 FOR 52 AGAINST POLICE

St. Joseph's Recruit For I.R.C.

POLICE WELL BEATEN

(By ATHOLE)

THE Police proved no match for the Indians, who are making a determined attempt to regain the junior league title they last won in the 1931-2 season, at Sookunpoo on Saturday, and after being dismissed by A. A. Rumjahn (6 for 28) for 78 they were beaten by 5 wickets.

It was Rumjahn who took 9 for 24 against the Police on the previous Saturday when playing for St. Joseph's College. 15 for 52 in two innings!

Rumjahn has taken 32 wickets at a cost of 7.56 runs apiece this season.

After a poor start the Indians set about their task in a light hearted manner and A. R. Sufiad, not to be confused with A. S. Sufiad who scored 65 against the Recrelo, hitting up a care-free 65.

This was the Indians' third success—they had beaten the Recrelo and Craigenower, and lost to the Navy. The Police lost their first match to the Service Corps.

CHAMPIONS RECORD WIN.

Flood Nearly Causes Disaster.

THREE WICKETS FOR NO RUNS

(By ATHOLE)

Craigenower, junior league champions, followed up their win over the Medicals by beating the Service Corps in a very close finish on Saturday, but their defeat at the hands of the Indians in their first match is likely to prove a heavy lodestone round their necks.

After S. Abbas, who was one of the mainstays of their attack last season, had dismissed the military side for 68 the home team lost 7 wickets in tying the total, but it was only when E. Barry and W. K. Way became associated in a last wicket stand that the champions won.

S/Sgt. Flood bowled extremely well for the Service Corps and nearly gave them victory by taking the wickets of S. Abbas, E. Hammon, and F. Broadbridge without conceding a run.

This was the Service Corps' first defeat—they had previously beaten the Police.

The Junior League Cricket Table To Date.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
I.R.C.	4	3	1	0	9
Navy	2	2	0	0	6
Craigenower	3	2	1	0	6
K.C.C.	1	1	0	0	2
H.K.C.C.	1	1	0	0	2
B.A.S.C.	2	1	1	0	3
Recrelo	1	0	1	0	0
C.S.C.C.	1	0	1	0	0
Police	2	0	2	0	0
R.A.M.C.	2	0	2	0	0

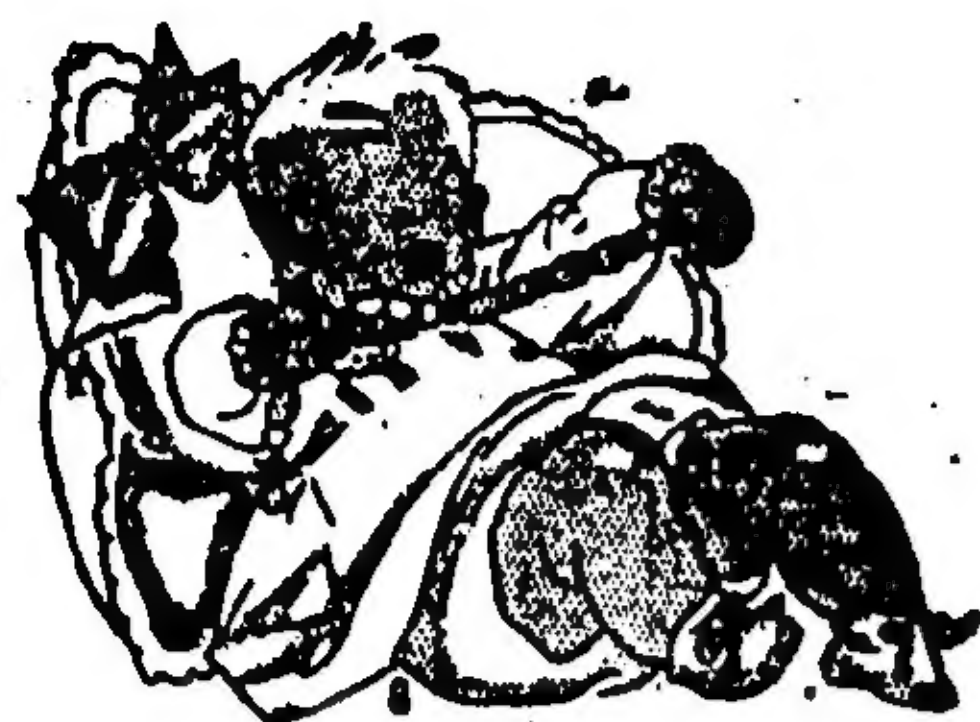
The Royal Engineers have not yet commenced their fixture list. In a League in which none of the ten games played have been drawn Lt. Larkin's 74 not out for the Navy against the Civil Service is the best bowling feat.

A. K. Ismail, who is leading the bowling averages, did not bowl a single ball for the I.R.C. premier last season, while T. A. Pearce took 1 for 76 in the League last season.

E. Zimmern, former Ordnance Corps skipper, is the only wicket-keeper to have stumpd a batsman in a premier league game this season.

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NAVY BEAT
ARMY HOCKEY
TEAM 4 TO 0Triangular Tourney
Preliminary.BARTLETT NETS THREE BUT
INJURES EYE.

(By STICKS).

The Navy registered a decisive victory over the Army by four clear goals on the Naval ground yesterday in a trial hockey match in preparation for the Triangular Tournament series which is to commence in March next year. All four goals were scored in the first half.

Lt. Bartlett, who scored three of the goals, was hurt in the second half when he was struck over the eye by the ball which Hollingsworth, the Army custodian, cleared from a tight corner. He retired to the clubhouse, and took no further part in the game.

The Army, who were without the services of Lt. Laine and Lt. Robert, the latter being sick, were completely overwhelmed in the first half, but played a much improved game after the change over. The Army full-backs did not seem at home on the grass field, but settled down to a steadier game in the second half.

Lt. Curley, suffering from a twisted knee, was unable to play for the Navy, his place being filled by Lt. Alexander Sinclair, who combined well with the Midway forwards.

The Navy attacked from the left wing broke through to pass to Bartlett. Hollingsworth left his goal to tackle, but lost the ball and BARTLETT netted into an open goal.

SINCLAIR made full use of an opportunity a little later with a hard shot which Hollingsworth only partially defended, the ball glancing off his pads into the back of the goal.

Bartlett Redeems Himself

The Navy continued to press, but BARTLETT missed a "sitter" when he had only the goalkeeper to beat. He redeemed himself, however, soon after when, in a combined movement with Anderson on the wing, he got within shooting range to send in a hard shot which gave Hollingsworth no chance at all.

The Army made several determined attacks, but were unable to press beyond the half-back line. Lt. Comdr. Hill at centre-half, being outstanding. Garthwaite worked hard in the Army forward line, but Hoggard was starved on the wing.

Halford, the Army centre-half, was much too slow for the fast Navy forwards.

BARTLETT netted his third goal after a long interval, scoring from an acute angle following a duel with Hollingsworth who again left his goal to tackle.

Hollingsworth, however, brought off some clever saves before the teams changed over.

Without Pads and Shoes

In the second half, Ala Ditta, the Jat player, dispensed with his rubbers, and continued to play in differently without pads and shoes. A brief respite occurred, soon after the start of the second half when Bartlett was injured, and the Navy, continuing with only ten men, still retained the upper hand in the game, giving Hollingsworth plenty to do.

The Navy shooting was not so accurate in this half, however, Donald and Eaden both missing many opportunities. The Army visited the other end on a number of occasions, but Phillips and Birkett held them in check effectively.

Navy—Lt. Cayave (Midway), Pay Lt. Birkett (Tamar), Surg. Lt. Comdr. Phillips (Suffolk) (Captain), Lt. Muspratt (Suffolk), Lt. Sinclair (Midway), Lt. Comdr. Hill (Midway), Lt. Donald (Midway), Lt. Faden (Midway), Lt. Alexander Sinclair (Berwick), and Lt. Anderson (Eagle).

Army—Hollingsworth (Lincoln), Lt. D. P. St. C. Rolinger (Lincoln), Lt. Metcalfe (R.A.), Abbas Khan (R.A.), C. Halford (Lincoln), Lt. Berwick (R.A.), Lt. J. H. Hoggard (Lincoln), Lt. C. O. Garthwaite (R.A.), W. O. Senior (R.A.S.C.), Ala Ditta (Jat), and Barlow (R.A.S.C.).

RADIO BEAT EAGLE

In a friendly hockey game at Caroline Hill on Sunday the Radio defeated H.M.S. Eagle by seven goals to nil.

ARSENAL MAY DROP POINT AT LEEDS
SPURS ARE EXPECTED TO FALTER
POMPEY SHOULD ADVANCE

STRENUOUS PROGRAMME TO UPSET FORM



Christmas Day.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

FIRST DIVISION

ASTON VILLA (1) v Wolves (3)
BLACKBURN (4) v Middlesbrough (2)
DERBY (4) v Manchester C. (0)
LEEDS (0) v Arsenal (0)
LIVERPOOL (4) v Portsmouth (3)
NEWCASTLE (1) v Everton (2)
SHEFFIELD U. (2) v Birmingham (1)

STOKE (-) v Leicester (-)
Tottenham (-) v Huddersfield (-)

SECOND DIVISION

BLACKPOOL (-) v Hull (-)
BRENTFORD (-) v Preston (-)
Bradford (-) v Bolton (-)
BURNLEY (1) v Oldham (1)
BURY (1) v Bradford G. (1)
FULHAM (4) v Southampton (2)
Lincoln (0) v PORT VALE (1)
Manchester U. (1) v GRIMSBY (1)
NOTTS C. (1) v Millwall (0)
PLYMOUTH (1) v Notts F. (1)
W. HAM (3) v Swansea (1)

THIRD DIVISION (North)

CHESTER (3) v New Brighton (0)
CHESTERFIELD (-) v Darlington (-)
DONCASTER (5) v Crewe (1)
HALIFAX (2) v Barrow (0)
HARTLEPOOL (6) v Barnsley (4)
MANFIELD (2) v Walsall (0)
SOUTHPORT (2) v Rochdale (0)
Stockport (0) v Carlisle (1)
Tranmere (0) v WREXHAM (0)
York (4) v Rotherham (3)

THIRD DIVISION (South)

Aldershot (2) v LUTON (2)
B'NEMOUTH (0) v Bournemouth (0)
Bristol R. (1) v HAM (0)
COVENTRY (5) v Cardiff (0)
CRYSTAL P. (4) v Norwich (0)
EXETER (2) v Southend (0)
N'AMPTON (0) v Brighton (0)
Newport (1) v Bristol C. (1)
QUEEN'S PR (2) v Clapton (1)
TORQUAY (4) v Swindon (3)
WATFORD (-) v Charlton (-)

NAVY LOWER DECK'S
FIRST DEFEATJats Win By Three
Goals To 1.

McRAE SORELY MISSED

The Navy Lower Deck were beaten for the first time this season when on the Marina ground yesterday they went down before the Jat Regiment by 3 goals to 1, after being led by three goals in the first half.

The Navy were without the services of their brilliant centre-forward, McCrae, who left for England by the Ranch on Saturday. Captain Morgan, Lt. Syer, and Habib Khan scored for the Jats, while Harrison netted for the Naval team in the second half.

VETERAN'S FIFTH
WIN.Wren Concede Ten Goals
At King's Park.

H.M.S. Veteran recorded their fifth victory in as many games when they defeated H.M.S. Wren on the Navy ground yesterday by 10 goals to nil, after scoring 7 in the first half.

Rimmer (5), Norman (3) and Fosse (1), and Bellis (1) scored for the winners.

RADIO'S BIG WIN

In a friendly hockey match on the University ground yesterday the Radio Sports Club defeated the University by 5 goals to 1. G. Singh (8) and Atwar Singh (2), scored for the Radio, while Scott netted for the University.

CLUB "A" HELD

At King's Park yesterday the Hong Kong Hockey Club "A" drew with H.M.S. Berwick in a friendly encounter, both sides scoring once. Kilbee scored first for the Club in the second half, but Lamotte equalised for the sailors.

Saturday.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

ASTON V. (2) v Everton (1)
CHELSEA (4) v Leeds (0)
HUDDERSFIELD (0) v Birmingham (0)
LEICESTER (1) v Middlesbrough (1)
LIVERPOOL (3) v Newcastle (0)
PORTSMOUTH (3) v West Bromwich (0)

Sheffield U. (3) v ARSENAL (1)
Stoke (-) v Wednesday (-)
SUNDERLAND (0) v Derby (2)

TOTTENHAM (-) v Blackburn (-)
WOLVES (1) v Manchester C. (2)

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

BOLTON (-) v Lincoln (-)
BRADFORD (-) v Blackpool (-)
BRENTFORD (-) v Hull (-)
BURNLEY (-) v Hull (-)
GRIMSBY (1) v Bradford C. (1)
MANCHESTER U. (7) v Millwall (1)

NOTTS F. (1) v PORT VALE (1)
OLDHAM (-) v Fulham (3)
PLYMOUTH (1) v Swansea (0)
PRESTON (3) v Southampton (1)
WESTHAM (1) v Notts C. (1)

THIRD DIVISION (South)
BOURNEMOUTH (0) v Luton (2)
BRISTOL R. (1) v Norwich (1)
CARDIFF (0) v Northampton (0)
CHARLTON (-) v Aldershot (-)
Coventry (5) v Clapton (0)
CRYSTAL P. (0) v Newport (0)
Crewe (5) v TORQUAY (0)

Gillingham (4) v QUEEN'S PL. (1)
READING (7) v Swindon (1)
SOUTHEND (3) v Bristol C. (1)
WATFORD (0) v Brighton (4)

THIRD DIVISION (North)
ACCRINGTON (3) v Carlisle (1)
BARNLEY (1) v New Brighton (2)
CHESTERFIELD (-) v Stockport (-)
Darlington (2) v Doncaster (2)
Gateshead (2) v BARROW (3)
HARTLEPOOL (2) v Walsall (0)

MANFIELD (3) v Rotherham (2)
Rochdale (1) v HALIFAX (0)
Southport (2) v CHESTER (1)
TRANMERE (5) v Crewe (0)
WREXHAM (3) v York (1)

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

First Division
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GOTHAM KICKS
GOAL TO TIE
RUGBY GAMEFalmouth Thwarted In
Closing Minutes.8th DESTROYER FLOTILLA
DISPLAY GOOD FORM

(By SCRUM HALF)

The splendid defensive tactics and kicking of Gotham of the Destroyer Rugby, featured the friendly drawn Rugby encounter between the 8th Destroyer Flotilla and the H.M.S. Falmouth, at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon.

The game was very evenly contested, fine threequarter movements and good forward rushes by both sets of forwards being features of the game.

The Destroyers forced the pace in the opening minutes of the game, but determined tackling by the Falmouth's backs prevented any immediate scoring.

After several promising three-quarter movements, the Destroyer opened the scoring through WOTTEN who culminated a brilliant passing bout with a splendid run down the right touchline to score wide of the posts, the kick being unconverted.

From the kick-off play was fairly even, both sides missing opportunities until WILLIAMSON broke through to score near the posts, SHAW adding the major points.

The second half saw the Destroyers attacking strongly, but the Falmouth fought back every inch, and a good forward rush saw SHAW go over for an unconverted try to give the Falmouth a clear five points lead.

The last minutes of the game were thrilling, the Destroyers scoring their second try through GRIF-FEN who scored in the corner GOTHAM converting with a splendid kick to bring the scores level.

Result.

8th Destroyer F. 8 pts.
H.M.S. Falmouth 5 pts.
Wotten (Wren), Lt. Sinclair-Ford (Keppel), West (Wren) and Maynard (Witch), Griffin (Wren) and Bookless (Whithead), Little (Wren), Beard (Veteran), Lt. Donaldson (Keppel), Sub. Lt. Birch (Wren), Rumpelmann (Whithead), Woodgate (Whithead), Coleman (Witch) and Jones (Wren).

Falmouth—Wicks, May Beattie, Brettinton and Waller, Lt. Gill and Fowlerhead, Lt. Shaw, Bolton, Lewis, Woodman, Stadden, Lt. Whitfield, Wt. Eng. Mr. Williamson and Burdett.

To-morrow, the Club "A" will meet the Lincolns at Happy Valley at 4.45 p.m. on the Club ground. The following will represent the Club.

R. P. Edwards, N. M. Cochran, J. Hutchison, B. C. Allan and A. E. Harbord; L. G. Robertson and H. C. Mecke; R. J. Cherrill, F. G. Nigel, A. R. Cox, R. G. Castleton, E. G. Jones, W. E. Peers, S. H. Garrod and D. M. Wheeler.

H. Q. LINCOLNS WIN
BILLIARDS CUP.Atkinson's Record Break
Unavailing.

SOCCER PLAYER IN FORM

(BY SPOT BALL)

HEADQUARTER Wing Lincolns, assured themselves of winning the Captain William's Billiards Cup when they overcame "B" Company by 4 games to 2.

Pte. Atkinson, compiled a break of 42, which beats his own previous highest of 38 in the competition but he nevertheless, lost to Abbott by 12 points.

Lieut. King lost his first game when he found Lt. Baldry, the Battalion soccer right winger, on his best form.

Scores—
"H Q" Wing "B" Coy.
Short 150 Green 80
Herriot 160 Burnand 113
Smith 150 Waudby 90
Ellison 150 Enderby 58
Lt. King 82 Baldry 150
Atkinson 138 Abbott 150

HOCKEY NOTES

by Sticks

In To-morrow's

China Mail

KING'S
— COMMENCING TO-MORROW —
MURDER BY THE MINUTE

An eccentric old bachelor stabbed to death...
The only clue a luminous wrist watch gleaming in the darkness.

Even Charlie Chan was baffled by this mysterious crime.

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HEATHER
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Screenplay by
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"MY WEAKNESS"



DYE-STUFFS BILL IN COMMONS

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HOME CHEMICAL WORKS PROTECTED

London, To-day.

The Dye-stuffs Bill, the object of

which is the placing on a permanent

basis the prohibition of imports

into the United Kingdom of dye-

stuffs and the immediate products

thereof, passed its second reading

night by 245 votes to 72.

Imports will be permitted by li-

cense only.

The Parliamentary Secretary of

the Board of Trade, Dr. E. L. Bur-

gin, moving the second reading in-

dicated the possibility of the sur-

plus production of European chemi-

cal works being unloaded in Brit-

tain.

Licenses for imports would be

granted only when it was shown

that Great Britain was unable to

produce what she required, Dr.

Burgin said.

He stated that 91 per cent. of the

synthetic dye-stuffs used in the

United Kingdom were now produced

in Great Britain, while foreign im-

ports had fallen from 41,000,000

lbs. in 1913 to 4,000,000 lbs. in 1932.

The average price of dye-stuffs

in Great Britain, he said, had been

reduced to 1/6d per lb. in 1932

as compared with 4/4d. in 1920.

Reuter.

Business Done:—1,340,000 shares.

Last To-day's Price

Air Reduction 99 1/2

Allied Chemical & Dye 144 1/2

American Can 84 1/2

American Smelting 42 1/2

American Tel. & Tel. 111 1/2

American Tobacco "B" 71 1/2

American Waterworks 18 1/2

Anaconda Copper Mining 13 1/2

Auburn 55 1/2

Borden Co. 20 1/2

Canadian Pacific 12 1/2

Caterpillar Co. 23 1/2

Chase National Bank 18 1/2

Chrysler Motors 50 1/2

Consolidated Gas of N.Y. 37 1/2

Curtis Wright 2 1/2

Du Pont de Nemours 88 1/2

Eastman Kodak 79 1/2

Electric Bond & Share 12 1/2

Electric Power & Light 4 1/2

General Electric 19 1/2

General Foods 35 1/2

QUARRY BAY SCHOOL PRIZE-GIVING

Mr. N. L. Smith Pays Tribute To Staff.

CLEVER ENTERTAINMENT BY YOUNG PUPILS

A delightful performance was given yesterday at the conclusion of the annual prize-giving at the Quarry Bay School, by the pupils, whose ages range from five to nine years. "It is a most marvellous performance, and I think it is a most marvellous school," was the expressed opinion of Mr. N. L. Smith, Director of Education, who presented the prizes and witnessed the subsequent performance. Mr. Smith paid a warm tribute to the work of Miss G. M. Cotton, the Headmistress, and her staff.

Amongst those in the large gathering present were the Hon. Dr. S. W. Tao, Mr. A. R. Sutherland and Mr. A. O. Brown, of the Education Department, Mr. J. Ralston, Mr. A. T. Hamilton, Mr. W. L. Handywide and several other headmasters from other schools in the Colony.

Prize winners—Class 7. 1st prize—Fleming Kinnaird. Class 8. 1st prize—Elma Moffan. 2nd Geoffrey Warren. Class 9. 1st prize—James Sanders. 2nd Joan Dredge and Gordon Beer.

The children acted splendidly, and gave a varied selection of items including nursery rhymes, carols, band items, a poem, "King Hilary and the Beggarman," and a short play entitled "Snow White," in which the participants showed rare talent.

The Shadow Dance by little Peter Smith was particularly well received, and this same youngster acted as Peter Pan in the three scenes from the playlet of the name. The part of Wendy was filled by little Elma Moffan and Captain Hook by George Cooper. The lost boys were K. Kinnaird, K. Bailey, P. Hosenood, K. Moffan and G. Warren, while the pirates were played by R. Clark, F. Kinnaird, N. Marden, J. Hyne, C. Osborne, and B. Hyne. Two others in the cast were D. Moffan and M. Hyne.

The final number was the singing of two carols in which the whole gathering joined.

BELILIOS PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Charming Performance Of Chinese Legends.

"JOURNEY TO WESTERN PARADISE."

A collection of Chinese Legends, under the title "The Journey to the Western Paradise," was staged last night by the girls of the Belilios Public School as a compliment to the Head-mistress, Miss Skinner, who recently gained the distinction of M. B. E.

The drama attracted a large and mixed audience among which were Sir Thomas and Lady Southern, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, the Hon. Dr. S. W. Tao, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Brown, Mr. A. E. Wood, the Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Wells, Dr. and Mrs. Pope, Major and Mrs. H. B. L. Dowbiggin and Miss Dowbiggin, Mr. Collison, Mr. R. Stock, Dr. Woo, M. B. E., and Mr. Y. P. Law.

The performance, brilliant with the varied costumes of the players, and accompanied with music under the direction of Mr. Poon Ye-tai, was an emphatic success.

The Characters.

The following are the pupils who took the parts of the various characters:

Fairies—Ho Wai-hing, Lum Wai-oi and Lee Chee-sing.

The Monkey Fairy—Lau Mung-lol.

The Master of Heaven's Servants—Wong Yee-mei, Shum Po-ching and Ho Kwai-ping.

The Master of Heaven—Lui How-ngo.

His Attendant—Chan Pui-so.

His Guests—Leung Wai-ye, Liu How-ngo, Hui Woon-kwan and Chan Wai-tung.

Two Soldiers—Lee Hon-fun and Wong Fung-lam.

Buddha—Leung Lok-ching.

Kwan-Yin, Goddess of Mercy—Fung Mui-tung.

Tong Sam-keung, the Buddhist—Fung Pooking.

The Pig Fairy—Lui Hui-mun.

The Priest Shu—Tang Sam-nai.

The Widow—Ng Sai-lin.

Her Three Daughters—Cheung Chui-wa, Lum Wai-ching and Ng Yuet-keon.

In Phone Talk to White House



Madame Maxim Litvinoff, English wife of the Soviet Commissar for Foreign Affairs, and their son, Mincha, are pictured in their home at Moscow. On the occasion of formal diplomatic recognition of Russia by the United States, Commissar Litvinoff spoke to his family by trans-Atlantic phone from the White House.

CHEUNG CHAU NOTES.

Prize-Giving Day At Government School.

MISSIONARIES GOING ON FURLOUGH

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Cheung Chau, December 16.

The notice is out for the prize-giving at the local Government School, to take place on Thursday next.

The electric typhoon signed for night warnings has now been installed at the Police Station. Its usefulness, however, would have been greatly enhanced if the height of the pole had been increased, as boats close in-shore cannot see the present flagstaff.

Considerable alterations and improvements have been carried out at No. 18A, while Nos. 15, 22 and 23 have also had work done on them. A foreign style two-storey house is to be erected just outside the reservation boundary above the school.

Your correspondent is bidding farewell to his many friends and leaving by the s.s. Changla on Tuesday next for Australia and New Zealand. Other well-known visitors to Cheung Chau are sailing by the same steamer, in the persons of Mr. and Mrs. Mo Neur, who are taking their well-earned furlough in New Zealand.

The Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Mitchell, of Lo Ting, are spending a few days on the island for a much-needed rest.

BURNS NIGHT IN HONG KONG.

Celebration To Be Held Next Month.

ARRANGEMENTS BY THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY

It was decided, at a meeting of the General Committee of the Hong Kong St. Andrew's Society, held on Friday night last, to celebrate "Burns' Night" on Thursday, January 25, when members of the Society will be at liberty to invite guests of any nationality.

Sub-committees have been appointed to make arrangements for the various details of the celebration, which will take place in the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel. The price of tickets will be \$4.50 per head, exclusive of wines but including aperitifs.

The toast of "The Immortal Memory of Robert Burns" will be proposed by Sir William Hornell, Vice-Chancellor of Hong Kong University, the toast of "The Lassies" by Mr. K. MacKenzie and the reply thereto will be made by Mr. R. R. Campbell.

BANISHEE CAUGHT AND GAOLED.

Friend's Unfortunate Suggestion.

Banished from the Colony for 16 years on August 14, Cheung Yau, a life banished from Singapore, was sentenced to nine months' hard labour by Mr. Balfour at the Central Magistracy this morning. The defendant said that on his way to, Macao, he was persuaded by a friend to return to Hong Kong for the night, whereupon he was arrested.

RADIATOR CAP THIEF GAOLED.

Confesses To Theft Of Five.

Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. Balfour at the Central Magistracy this morning on Leung Kwi-kwong for stealing radiator caps.

Inspector Murphy stated that the defendant admitted the theft of five such articles, one of which was the property of Mr. Kelvin Stark and had been identified by the owner.

A second charge of returning from banishment was withdrawn by Inspector Vincent.

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CHINESE WEDDING YESTERDAY

Wan — Lum.

MANAGER OF KING'S AND QUEEN'S STUDIOS

A quiet wedding was solemnized yesterday afternoon at the new Luk Kwok Fan Tim, when Miss Lum Ching-yan, the seventh daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lum Mun-leong, of 4 Prince Terrace, became the bride of Mr. Wan King-lam, manager of the King's and Queen's Studios, and the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Wan Chow-pak of Canton.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was attired in a pretty white satin gown and carried a bouquet of white gladioli. Miss Cheng Pan-har, the bridesmaid, was also in white satin with a bouquet of white roses to match.

The best man was Mr. Mark Kai-yung, while the little Misses Wong Ting-quan, and Wong Ting-chung acted as flower-girls.

Mr. Chan See officiated at the ceremony, and a prayer was delivered by the Rev. Mr. Wong Chung-hai. Miss Chow Shou-ching was at the organ.

Mr. and Mrs. Wan King-lam will leave shortly for Canton, where they will spend their honeymoon.

Among the guests noted at the dinner were the following: Mr. and Mrs. Chang Kon-sang, Mr. Ng Chi-ching, Mr. William Young, Mr. Chen Li-chun, Mr. Chan Ming-shan, Mr. To Hin-kau, Mr. S. W. Poon, Mr. Yua Pak-tung, Mr. Lo Tai-tak, Mr. Wong Lap-chih, Mrs. M. Chan Harr, Mr. Chen Ming-kai, Mrs. Lum Chun-fai, Miss Lo Yuk-ying, Mrs. Yung Ping-sing, Mr. Kwok Chiu-chun, Mr. Yuen King-lau, Mr. Ho Shu-wing and Mr. Au Chew.

MORE FALSE TRADE LABELS.

"Made In Germany," But From Japan.

LOCAL ELECTRIC COMPANY PROSECUTED

The Tai Yeung Electric Company of 27 Burd Street, were summoned before Mr. Balfour at the Central Magistracy yesterday by the China United Lamp Company for possession of incandescent electric lamps bearing wrappers which bore the false trade description of "Made in Germany," and also labels which in colouring and general arrangement formed an infringement of the Osram labels.

Pleading guilty to the first summons, Mr. Hall Brutton said that his client received the goods from the Fukui Electric Trading Company, Japan, and that two cases were sold before they discovered the false wording.

The hearing was adjourned.

FOUGHT HIS AMAH WHILE DRUNK.

Chinese Bound Over And Warned.

Kim Ming-yu, of 434 Hennessey Road, 3rd floor, appeared with a bandaged head before Mr. Hamilton at the Central Police Court this morning, on a charge of fighting with his amah while in a drunken condition.

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AT

WHITEAWAYS

The China Mail

Hong Kong, Tuesday, Dec. 19, 1933.

A Drastic Plan For Newfoundland.

One of the most remarkable proposals ever made in the history of inter-imperial political relations is put forward in the Report of the Newfoundland Royal Commission, endorsed by the British Government in a White Paper, and now before Parliament. The recommendation of the Commissioners is that Newfoundland, a Dominion of the Crown which has enjoyed responsible government for nearly eighty years, should voluntarily abandon that status for the time being, and should pass under the control of a Commission responsible to the Government in London. In this unique expedient they find the only hopeful means of rescuing Newfoundland from an overwhelming burden of difficulties, the existence of which led to the institution in February last of the inquiry by Lord Amulree and his two colleagues. These were nominated by the Canadian and the Newfoundland Governments respectively. The nature of the immediate problem is well known. It lies in the desperate condition to which the finances of the island have been reduced, and which moved the British Government, twice in the course of the past twelve months, to intervene to enable the payments due on the Newfoundland debt to be met. But behind this, and mainly accountable for the dimensions of the difficulty, is a long history of misgovernment, which is examined in the Report with a frankness that is justified by the extreme gravity of the emergency. The Commission has adopted the view of those witnesses called before it who held that nothing short of a complete rest from party politics could enable the people to "win free from the malign influences" which have become rooted in political practice. Briefly, it is the "spoils system" that is indicted. Ministers and their supporters have acted on the principle that they "should obtain what benefits they could during their party's tenure of office." Under that system budgets remained unbalanced for twelve successive years, and a debt was piled up on which the interest charges alone amounted to over 50 per cent. of the average public revenue. The onset of the world depression, of course, made matters far worse. It is essential to note that the report completely exonerates the present Government of Mr. Alderdice, who swept the country at the election in 1928, and the previous one.

utmost to stem the tide of adversity. But it is held that the curing of a chronic political disorder is beyond the power of any party Administration; and the Commissioners believe that popular opinion supports their proposal for rescuing the country from its present state. What is suggested amounts to a form of Crown Colony Government, coupled with a conversion of Newfoundland's liabilities into a new 3 per cent. stock guaranteed by the British Government. Only with the utmost reluctance can that Government have agreed, as they do, to undertake this responsibility. The consent is conditional on acceptance of the double proposal by the Newfoundland Government and Legislature, and, of course, the approval of Parliament expressed in the needed legislation. There is no reason to doubt the ultimate success of such an experiment. The country's resources, which now include the vast undeveloped wealth of Labrador, are far more than adequate; and signs of trade recovery have for some time been apparent. But the political case appears to call for nothing short of surgical treatment. If the people themselves are, indeed, "content that the island should be known as 'Britain's oldest Colony,' there should be no disposition to withhold what help is needed until the country becomes self-supporting again.

Fighting The Thames.

The catastrophic tidal floods of the winter of 1928 are still a dreadful memory to great numbers of people in London and the lower valley of the Thames. In the report of the Departmental Committee appointed to consider means for the prevention of such disasters there is grave evidence of the difficulty of the problem, but a new organisation is suggested which should much increase the efficiency of the defences of the river banks. The public should be aware that a good deal of protective work has been done in the five years since 1928. An effective system of giving warning from the river mouth of the onset of dangerous tides has been put into operation. The London County Council have made great progress in raising the river walls throughout their area and they "should obtain what benefits they could during their party's tenure of office." Under that system budgets remained unbalanced for twelve successive years, and a debt was piled up on which the interest charges alone amounted to over 50 per cent. of the average public revenue. The onset of the world depression, of course, made matters far worse. It is essential to note that the report completely exonerates the present Government of Mr. Alderdice, who swept the country at the election in 1928, and the previous one.

HERE, THERE and EVERYWHERE

Hitler's Sword Stick

Herr Hitler, who recently visited Weimar, has been presented with the sword-stick of the great Nietzsche.

The Nazi Chancellor, who a few years ago used to carry a whip in self-defence, has never carried a stick. If he remembers his German history, he will think twice before he carries the stick of Nietzsche.

Lassalle, a forerunner of Herr Hitler in German National Socialism and a great dandy, was never seen in the streets without the stick of Robespierre.

Lassalle was killed in a duel fought with Count Racowitz in a suburb of Geneva.

Hitler, who is superstitious, is not likely to forget this ominous precedent.

Those New York Taxi-Cabs

One admires the originality of a New York banker who has bought a British taxicab for use at home, because he objects to his hat being crushed.

If New York cabs are low their drivers have a lofty and independent air about them. They are not rude, but they do not understand the superfluous "thank you" of the Englishman, and some reply, "Don't thank me!"

Your Daily Smile

OR WHEN

These broken society engagements are so confusing that it is quite time somebody published a brochure with some such title as "Who's Whose?"

This is Just Too Bad.

A fireman has just married a girl he first met when he picked her up and carried her down a ladder. There was apparently no escape.

THE PATTERN

Mrs. Jennings had taken her small daughter out to tea with her, and during the meal was horrified to see the child trying to force a thick piece of cake into a very small pocket.

"Oh, Mildred," she said in shocked surprise, "what are you doing?"
"That's all right, mother," her small daughter reassured her, "I'm just taking this slice back to Nurse for a pattern."

AMERICA GOES "WET."

And all that now remains prohibitive is the price.

Figures for Figures.

A doctor advocates skipping to reduce weight. Sixteen bounces making one pound.

Facts You Did Not Know.

Hardwood trees 15 inches in diameter can be felled in about 20 seconds with a new portable gasoline motor operated saw.

With government co-operation a credit bank has been established in Germany to promote the production of motion picture films.

Electrical engineers have developed radio receiving equipment that enables up to 3,000 sets to be served from the same antenna.

Surveys have been completed for a proposed railway between Palestine and Egypt and construction may begin in the near future.

secured. One of the main factors in producing dangerous tides is an ocean surge which may raise the level in the estuary by seven feet. They note another factor, as increasing the possibilities of flood from the sea—that substantial subsidence of London and south-east England. The defence authority which they would set up to plan and execute, is a Joint Committee of members of the existing local bodies working through the organization of the Port of London Authority and drawing its resources from the rates. To put the scheme in operation will require Parliamentary sanction. It is clearly a matter of urgency that everything possible should be done to protect the densely populated areas of the tidal Thames, and the questions of subsidence and possible surge which have to be investigated in that work concern the whole country.

WIVES DENIED THE RIGHT TO EARN NOVELIST CONDEMNS NEW TENDENCY

FEW WORK OF OWN FREE WILL

(By Rebecca West).

A meeting was recently held at the Central Hall, Westminster, to defend the right of married women to engage in paid employment, just as men and single women do. The meeting was able to deplore the increasing tendency of the Government local authorities and private employers to make celibacy a condition of employment for women, and the suggestion that the unemployment problem can be solved by turning married women out of industry.

At first sight this may seem to many people a not very necessary demonstration, an aggressive defence of a point not worth haggling over in such difficult times. But the employment of married women cannot be prevented without tampering with certain arrangements which have, on the whole, upheld the standards of civilisation.

This is true in spite of the fact that, in a great many conditions, the employment of married women is wholly regrettable. I have known very few women who have chosen of their own free will to work during their children's early years, unless their work was pleasant, their economic background easy, and their relatives helpful—unless, that is to say, they were exceptional people who were also exceptionally lucky.

I have never known an ordinary woman who had been forced by her husband's death, desertion, or ill-luck to become the bread-winner while her children were still young who did not speak of the experience with bitter resentment. The conflict that goes on in her when she tries to give her mind to her job, but is constantly worried about cheap domestic labour, or grudging relatives with whom she has had to leave her children, produces a deadly fatigue and melancholy.

But it is precisely not that woman who is in the minds of the people who are out to prevent the employment of married women.

The Right Of Every Citizen

Even the London County Council, which frowns on the employment of married women, employs the deserted wife and the widow. This obviously must remain the common practice until the community is sufficiently wealthy to make family allowances in such cases, and this at the moment is an idle dream. This position, therefore, can be set aside while considering the question.

What is more important to remember is that the prohibition of the employment of married women is an interference with a rule which again and again has proved its value in the history of England.

According to this rule, the married woman ought to be allowed to decide whether she will or will not work, because by experience it has been found best that so long as an individual obeys certain requirements laid down by the State, so long as he keeps the peace, with his neighbours and pays his share of the national expenditure, the State should let him work out his own salvation.

This rule is found useful for two main reasons. The first is that all the experience of the Western world goes to show that giving people the right to decide their fates brings out a certain independence which is one of the most valuable of human qualities. The second reason is this, that only the person who wears the shoes can tell where it pinches. If it is unpleasant and unnecessary for a certain number of married women to engage in paid employment, and the law says that no married women must be so employed, then it puts out of work a certain number of hard cases of which employment is pleasant and necessary.

The same happens even though no law is actually written on the statute book, if the Government and public authorities and private employers behave in practice as if they were. But if the State leaves the matter to the individual, then the married women to whom employment is unpleasant and un-

necessary will not seek it, and those to whom it is pleasant and necessary will seek it. The desired state of affairs is attained, without injustice being done to the hard cases. Just how very hard these cases can be may be realised by anybody who goes about the world with open eyes. There are many women who are neither widows nor deserted wives, but are far from being in the position of luxurious dependence on the male.

When A Husband Is Laid Aside

I had one such woman to see me recently. Some years ago she gave up her employment in a firm that employs no married women, to marry a professional man who made a fair income, and she has now two children of school age. A short time ago her husband suffered a series of catastrophic misfortunes, which finally caused a mental breakdown.

There are good hopes of his ultimate recovery, but in the meantime he is making no money, and she has only a minute income from invested funds. The firm which employed her before her marriage refuses to re-engage her because she is not a widow or a deserted wife; and in view of her husband's almost certain recovery and re-entry into professional life, she has no desire to confide in anybody, the facts of the case.

In the meantime there are the two children to be kept, and an unsaleable house to be run. It would surely have been better if the firm concerned had simply taken for granted that if she wants work she probably needs it.

There are many other hard cases that happen year in and year out. Women lose a lot if they may not work when they have married late, or are childless. I know one such woman, who, after fretting miserably for years and making her husband wretched with her nerves, went back to the dressmaking business she had left on her marriage, and poured her frustrated energies into expanding the firm till it now gives employment to many men and women.

"Doing Men Out Of Their Jobs"

There are also as a small but important class, the women of exceptional gifts, whom the community can prevent from working only to its own loss. The most obvious members of this class are women doctors.

But the question for many people to-day is not whether the employment of married women on equal terms with men and single women is a matter of justice, but whether we can afford such justice. An idea has always existed that if a married woman works she is probably doing somebody who needs it out of a job.

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LOCAL ESTATES

London Lady Leaves
\$34,400.

KOWLOON INTESTATE LEAVES
\$19,600.

Mrs. Jessie Thomsett, late of 27 Pembroke Square, Baywater, London, and formerly of 29 Stanley Gardens, Notting Hill, London, who died on May 5 last, left last estate sworn at \$34,400. The petition of Daniel John Lewis, solicitor and lawful attorney, for the re-belling of the certified sealed copy of the probate of the will has been granted.

Letters of administration in the estate of Leung Chung-mah, late of 19 Winslow Street, Hungghom, Kowloon, who died intestate on July 15 of this year have been granted to Leung Chan-shu, widow. The value of the estate is sworn at \$19,600. Pang Cho-ku (or Kw) broker, late of 66 Hollywood Road, Hong Kong, who died on July 27 last, left local estate sworn at \$3,100. Probate has been granted to Tang Shi-widow and Kwan Shi, combining respectively.

NANKING RECAPTURES KWANGCHEH

Fukien Communists
Defeated.
1,000 CASUALTIES REPORTED

Nanking, To-day.
An official report received here states that the Government troops, yesterday morning, recaptured Kwangcheh, in north-western Fukien, near the Kiangsi border.

The city, for a considerable time, has been under Communist occupation.

The Reds suffered 1,000 casualties, and are now fleeing towards Taining.—Reuter.

REBELS PREPARE FOR ATTACK.

5,000 Concentrate At
Kutien.

Nanking, To-day.
After carrying out extensive scouting over the northern Fukien districts, a plane attached to the Nanking Air Bureau returned to its base at Hangchow yesterday afternoon and reported the concentration of at least 5,000 rebels at Kutien. Part of the army appeared to be marching northward.

One Nineteenth Route Army force under General Mao Weishao was also seen advancing toward the Chekiang border.

Judging by the rebels' military movements, it is apparent that they are actively preparing for an offensive on the Central Government position.—Central News Agency

Naval Measures Considered.

Nanking, To-day.
Admiral Chen Shao-kuan, Minister of Navy, left for Nanchang by air at 10.30 this morning to discuss naval measures to be taken against the Fukien secessionists with General Chiang Kai-shek.—Reuter.

JAPANESE TROOPS WITHDRAW.

Kuyan Area Clear.

Peking, To-day.
Chinese reports confirm the withdrawal of the main body of Japanese and Manchukuo troops from the Kuyan area. A small detachment has been left at Hsifengchai.

The Chinese forces on their party have withdrawn to Tushikow and Lungmen, in order to avoid a conflict. The situation is now quiet and the general belief is that matters will not be aggravated.—Reuter.

REICHSTAG FIRE TRIAL.

Petitions Ask Court
To Free Torgler.

Zurich, To-day.
Five public meetings, with a total attendance of 7,000 have decided to send to the President of the Leipzig Court, where the Reichstag fire trial has been continuing for three months, a resolution declaring that the conviction of Torgler, who is one of the five accused men, will be a juridical crime, and asking the Court to free Torgler.—Reuter.

MR. SUN FO LEAVES FOR HONG KONG.

Probably Going On To
Manila.

Shanghai, To-day.
Mr. and Mrs. Sun Fo are sailing for Hong Kong on board the President Hoover this evening, and are expected to proceed to the Philippines from Hong Kong.

No political significance is attached to their trip, according to the circles close to Mr. Sun Fo.—Central News Agency.

Wong Skim, 23, a pastry cook, who was remanded last week on a charge of the manslaughter of Cheung Pin-cheung, at West Point on December 10, was again before Mr. Hamilton at the Central Police Court this morning, when, on the application of Mr. D. B. Evans, a further remand of one week was granted.

COURT MARTIAL AT KOWLOON

Artillery Sergeant
Charged.

MISAPPROPRIATION OF MESS
BILL MONEY

Sergeant W. G. Thomas of the 2nd Hong Kong Singapore Heavy Battery, Royal Artillery, Gun Club Hill, Kowloon, at a Military Court-Martial, held this morning pleaded not guilty to a charge of misappropriation of various sums of money handed to him by his Battery Commander for the payment of Mess bills, amounting to \$284.83.

Major R. G. Lochner, M.C. (S.W.B.) presided and was supported by Captain L. C. Crick, M.C. (Lincoln) and Lt. Parker, R.A.

Capt. E. B. Bolt, R.A., Adjutant to the Hong Kong Singapore Battery, prosecuted, while Captain P. V. Williams, R.A., appeared for the defendant.

Ah Chee, shroff and partner to Abbas Khan, a military contractor, stated in evidence that he was responsible for the supply of provisions to Gun Club Hill Barracks and for Kowloon.

He personally supervised the 2nd Hong Kong Singapore Heavy Battery's supply of provisions and tendered the bills and receipts.

Witness said he remembered the bills for the months of May, June, July, August and September of this year as they had not been paid in the routine manner.

The various amounts were \$69.10 for May, \$47.30 for June, \$52.11 for July, \$55.50 for August and \$60.82 for September.

Witness denied having received any payment for the monthly accounts from May to September from accused, but was finally paid by Captain Barry on November 14. Witness identified Sgt. Thomas as the Acting Quarter Master Sergeant in charge of the messing.

Witness said that after delivering his bills and receiving no payment for them, he went on several occasions to Gun Club Hill Barracks and questioned Sgt. Thomas about the matter. On each occasion he was assured that the Captain of the Battery would settle the matter by cheque.

Captain Bolt produced a September Messing Account bill with witness's signature of receipt on the second sheet, but witness denied that he signed the bill, although the signature bore some resemblance to his own.

Receipt Signed.

In November the Battery messing officer wrote to witness asking for receipts from May to September in duplicate, but witness only tendered duplicate bills, as he had then not yet been paid for those five months.

Cross-examined by Captain Williams, witness said that only his brother, Lim Tak-cheong, and himself signed the receipts.

Captain E. C. J. Barry, R.A. Officer Commanding the 2nd Hong Kong Singapore Heavy Battery, E.A., said that messing arrangements for the Battery were run on similar lines to those of a British Battery.

The vegetable bill was brought to the Barracks by Ah Chee, the last witness, and after having been sent to the Quartermaster Sergeant in charge of messing to be checked, was returned to witness for payment.

"The normal procedure when paying one of these bills was first of all to ask where Ah Chee was, and if he was present then to pay him in cash, but if he was not present I paid the money to the Quartermaster Sergeant in charge of Messing, who at that time happened to be Sgt. Thomas, the accused, with instructions to pay Ah Chee when the latter arrived and to leave the receipt on my table," said Captain Barry.

"Paid Sgt. Thomas."
"During those months from May to September I did not happen to meet Ah Chee and so always paid the amounts due to Sgt. Thomas, who was then acting as my Quartermaster Sergeant in charge of messing."

Continuing, Captain Barry said he received the receipts or the following mornings after he had made payments to Sgt. Thomas and, after glancing at the signatures, passed them on to the Financial Adviser for audit purposes.

In concluding his evidence witness said the Financial Adviser at Command Headquarters had requested him to tender the bills or receipts for messing for the months of May, June, July, August and

S.S. YUCHI PASSENGERS TRANSFERRED

147 Placed On Chinese
Cruiser.

GUNBOAT PROTECTION
AGAINST PIRATES

Shanghai, To-day.

The passengers on board the Chinese coasting steamer "Yuchi," which struck a submerged rock at 1.30 a.m. yesterday off Wenchow, while on the way to Shanghai from Foochow, have been safely transferred to a Chinese cruiser which rushed to the scene. A Chinese gunboat is standing by the "Yuchi," owing to pirate junks which are hovering round.

It was reported yesterday that the "Yuchi," which carried 147 passengers and crew and a large cargo of fruit, had 15 inches of water in her holds, but was in no danger of foundering.

The vessel is insured and it is reported that salvage plans are being considered by the underwriters.

The ship was yesterday beached by the head in a cove under the Shroud Island Lighthouse.

H.M.S. Whitehall, which answered the distress signals stood by until the arrival of the Chinese gunboat.—Reuter.

LEAGUE REFORM PROPOSALS

Suggested Commons
Committee.

PREMIER OPPOSED TO SUCH
A COURSE

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, was asked in the House of Commons yesterday if he favoured the appointment of a Committee to draft proposals to be submitted at Geneva for the reform of the League of Nations with a view to preventing further secession from the League of Nations and to promoting the adhesion of all the great Powers.

He replied: "No sir, I am not in favour of such a course." — British Wireless Service.

Aircraft Designed For Bombing.

NO EUROPEAN NATION
PRODUCING SPECIALLY.

London, To-day.

Replying to a question in the House of Commons yesterday, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Anthony Eden, said that, so far as he was aware, it was not a fact that in most countries in Europe the strength of aircraft specifically designed for bombing was being increased.

He understood that all types of aircraft might be to some extent used for bombing. It was to meet this difficulty that Articles 34 and 35 of the British Draft Convention were designed.

The proposals contained in those articles continued to represent the policy of the British Government. In their view the whole problem of Disarmament was vitally urgent and every effort was being made to achieve a general agreement covering all the aspects of the problem.—British Wireless Service.

U.S. LOAN WHEAT IN SHANGHAI

First Consignment
Sold Out.

Shanghai, To-day.

It is officially announced that the first consignment of the United States Loan wheat, amounting to 3,940 tons, which arrived here yesterday from the United States, has been sold out.

Deliveries are being made at the harbour.—Central News Agency.

September, 1933, which were not to hand.

Witness was rather surprised, as it had always been the practice to despatch the receipts soon after they had been checked. He made inquiries and later interviewed both Ah Chee and his partner, Abbas Khan, and as a result of these interviews placed Sgt. Thomas under close arrest. The case is proceeding.

To-day's Short Story.

IN THE FOG

By Francis
Marlowe.

A SILVERY-TONED clock on the mantelshelf chimed seven o'clock softly.

James Norristoun, who for nearly an hour had been sitting in a fireside arm-chair in the sitting-room of his comfortable little Jermyn-street flat, restlessly, almost absent-mindedly, turning over the leaves of a book, took out his watch, compared with the clock and advanced the minute hand slightly.

For a moment or so, then, he sat, staring thoughtfully into the fire; presently he rose and walked to the window to look out on to the street. He looked out, but the tinge of his vision was definitely limited by something that seemed like a dirty grey curtain suspended in front of the window.

Fog had been hanging about London all day, shifting its locality queerly; apparently it had chosen this hour to settle down over Piccadilly and dim its evening brilliance.

On James Norristoun, though it was his intention to go out, the incidence of the fog had apparently no depressing or even discomforting effect.

And this was not without reason, for he had on hand an enterprise impossible of postponement, and, had he been able to choose, he could not have fixed on a night more fitted to cover its risks.

For two days worry, suspense, and, at times, fear, had been James Norristoun's portion. On Wednesday evening of that week—it was Friday now—he had walked out of the bank of which for three years he had been received cashier with £20,000 of the bank's money in a small despatch case, which he carried openly and boldly in his hand. That despatch case, securely locked and still enclosing its valuable contents, he had taken at once to Euston railway station, and had exchanged there for a cloak-room ticket.

The next morning, instead of going to the bank, he had sent the manager a note stating that he was ill, but hoped to return to duty in a day or two. Then he told the landlady of his Clapham Park apartments that he was not feeling well, that he was going up to town to see a doctor, and might go into the

RIOT AT GERMAN EMBASSY

Sunday's Clash With
London Police.

THREE YOUTHS BOUND
OVER; ONE FINED

London, To-day.

As a sequel to the arrests made during the demonstration near the German Embassy in London on Sunday, four youths were yesterday charged at Bow Street Police Court with insulting behaviour.

Three were bound over to keep the peace for six months, and one, who had resisted arrest, was fined ten shillings, in default six days' imprisonment. — British Wireless Service.

Some 200 Communists, including a number of women and girls, staged a demonstration at the German Embassy in London on Sunday, to protest against the Reichstag fire trial. The police were forced to make a baton charge before the demonstrators would disperse. A few of the ringleaders were arrested.

Later, one of the Communists was allowed to present a petition to the Embassy demanding the release of the prisoners.

FIREMAN'S DEATH IN FLOOR CRASH.

Inquest Opened To-day.

An enquiry was opened at the Central Magistracy this afternoon, Mr. S. Ralston sitting as Coroner, into the death of Wu Chai, Fireman No. 77, who lost his life when the floors collapsed during the course of a fire at 355, Queen's Road Central on December 2.

At the time when the fatality occurred Mr. J. C. Fitz-Henry, Deputy Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, had a remarkable escape, having left the shop where he was standing only a few seconds before the floors crashed down.

country for a couple of days' rest. Definitely and for ever then he returned his back on his Clapham Park apartments, and, before his bank had opened its doors for the day's business, in the name of Townley he had booked a passage for Canada by a ship that was to leave Liverpool at noon on the following Saturday.

He calculated, and had perfectly sound reasons for doing so, that his defalcations and final theft would not be discovered before the ship sailed, and that, as a highly esteemed servant of the bank, his few days' absence would not arouse any suspicion.

For eighteen months, by means of a very ingenious system of falsification of accounts which he had invented, which had promised long immunity from discovery, he had been using the bank's money freely and at will, until the day that he was horrified by realisation that through a careless slip he had laid bare the processes of his embezzlement.

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "The Cup," by Mark Channing.

ment and could not hope to stave off inevitable disaster for more than a few days. Terrified at first by the pit that had opened at his feet, it was not until two days later that he recovered his nerve sufficiently to think out and put into operation the plan for making a last use of his falsification device for the purpose of stealing a sum sufficient to form the basis of prosperous emigration.

The Jermyn-street flat he had used for more than a year as his headquarters for the gay life of pleasure which he had enjoyed at the bank's expense occupying it nearly always at week-ends and on occasional odd nights. Here, his actual position in life unsuspected by his night-life associates, he played the part of a splendid spendthrift. Here, after his disappearance from Clapham Park, he had taken hiding, his morning meals attended to by a housekeeper.

Now, if he were to have a meal before he caught his train for Liverpool, it was time for him to leave the flat for the last time before returning to it with a taxicab to evacuate it.

He took a final survey of the sitting-room, to see if he had overlooked packing anything that he would not care to leave behind. Then, satisfied on this head, he went into his bed-room and brought from it two bags which were there ready for his departure. Another visit to the bedroom for the overcoat and cap in which he proposed to travel. With these in his hands he stood for a moment or two before a looking-glass, staring at his reflection thoughtfully.

He was particularly interested in noting the effect of the absence of a moustache which he had shaved off that afternoon. The removal of it, though not an effective disguise, left him not readily recognisable.

When Norristoun returned to his sitting-room he was wearing the overcoat and cap in which he proposed to travel. The coat was a comfortable-looking but rather conspicuous belted garment—a grey tweed of large herring-bone pattern. Before buttoning and belting this he took his pocket-book from the breast pocket of his inner coat and from it picked out the cloak-room check which represented the £20,000 he had stolen.

He looked at this considerably for a while, and eventually, so as to have it conveniently at hand, put it in the left-hand inside breast pocket of his overcoat. He replaced the pocket-book then, and delaying no longer than to button up his inside coat and switch off the electric light, left his flat and made his way downstairs to the street.

The fog was patchy in Piccadilly, in parts in clung shroud-like to all that it enveloped, while here and there it thinned into unexpected threadbare spots.

James Norristoun, who had painstakingly picked his way from Jermyn-street through Duke-street to Piccadilly, ventured on an unchartered crossing of the road which he judged would land him on the north side of Piccadilly by the corner of Swallow-street. He was immediately intent on reaching a tobacconist's shop just east of the landmark he had chosen, there to replenish his cigar and cigarette cases.

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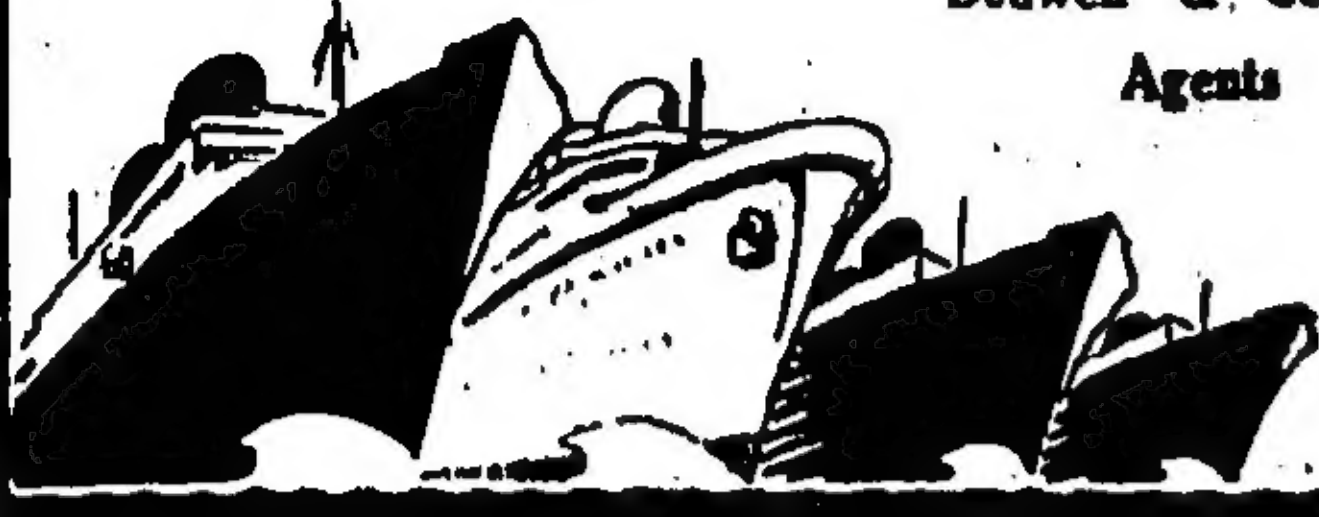
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IN THE FOG

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He had successfully navigated the crossing, hitting almost to an inch the point for which he had aimed, when, turning eastward, he emerged with surprising suddenness into one of the occasional zones of visibility. At the moment, finding the chill damp air uncomfortably biting, he was turning up the ample collar of his overcoat, and the next instant would have stepped from the pavement into the tobacconist's. But, by a queer freak of chance it happened that his movement in this direction was rudely checked and his intention was so alarmingly diverted that it was wiped from his mind as cleanly as if it had never had lodgment there.

His eyes were stinging with the blinding fog, his usually keen sight probably dimmed a little; he had collided violently with a tall, heavy man, whose approach he had not noticed.

Calm, cool, fully at his ease at the moment of the collision, his mind only occupied with his immediate errand and pleasurable anticipation of the quiet meal which he hoped presently to enjoy at an old-fashioned chop-house in Panton-street, the impact of his shoulder on the other man's chest seemed to change him magically into a frantic hunted creature. A second, and this time a wildly furtive glance at the face of the man he had plunged into, an upward thrust of an arm as though to ward off the clutch which, perhaps to steady himself, the man seemed to make at him, and—all this had happened in a fraction of a second—the man stood alone. James Norristoun had removed himself with most remarkable celerity.

Into the surge of concealing fog ahead of him James Norristoun had lunged himself, and his nerve broken, his self-possession wrecked, was hurrying onward with such fear in his heart as though the devil himself pursued him.

The man with whom he had collided was Detective-inspector Harper, Scotland Yard's wildest and most persistent sleuth, the man whom, of all others, he would have avoided that night. He knew Harper through the detective's occasional visits to the bank in connection with cheque fraud cases. That Harper had recognised him he had not the faintest doubt.

Panic had seized him utterly and irresistibly. The sense of security which possessed him when he stepped out from his flat had departed from him entirely.

In an agony of apprehension he peered about him as he hurried along. If he could have picked with certainty an empty cab from the invisible procession of wheeled traffic that passed within inches of him, he would have sought sanctuary in it. Something he must do, and that without delay, to get out of the trap into which he had walked so heedlessly.

Suddenly, on his left, a little ahead, he perceived a local effluence in the fog which, to his quickened brain, indicated an inordinately well-lighted entrance.

At a guess, justified by his knowledge of the neighbourhood, he told himself that this was the entrance to the Corinthian Hotel. He hastened his progress, edged quickly to the left, stepped from the street into the gateway of light—and proved his guess correct. He was in the stairhead lobby of the Corinthian Hotel's basement grill-room.

It was relief unutterable to escape from the nervous tension which his ordeal in the fog had imposed on him. Almost instantaneously he pulled himself together and, assured by the fact that his emergence from the fog had not been followed by a tap on the shoulder, that he had—temporarily at least—eluded Harper, he moved leisurely down the grill-room stairs.

As to what his next move should be he was entirely at a loss. He had shaken off Harper, but he had a much too exalted opinion of that astute man's resourcefulness to permit himself to regard the Corinthian Hotel as a haven of safety. Now that Harper had spotted him, he was in imminent danger as long as he remained in the neighbourhood of Piccadilly.

At the foot of the stairway he paused and looked about him with apparent casualness.

On his immediate right was a

glass-enclosed telephone box, and beyond it a long counter behind which three cloak-room attendants were busy receiving and pigeon-holing men's hats and coats. To the left was a sort of lounge annex of the grill-room, which was sprinkled with chairs and small occasional tables. Many were occupied by men and women waiting for their guests or escorts. Beyond, over a shoulder-high glass screen, it could be seen that the grill-room was already more than half full of diners.

Men and women were trickling down the stairway at the foot of which Norristoun stood. By the men's cloak-room counter and in the space in front of it groups of men stood chatting while they waited for any were receiving attendance from the men behind the counter. Norristoun, watching these groups thoughtfully for a few seconds, was moved by a suddenly inspired resolution; he advanced to the counter, opening and unbelted his coat as he did so.

Three young men, discussing some subject of apparently absorbing interest, were at the section of the counter at which Norristoun took his stand when he had removed his cap and overcoat. Two of them had received and pocketed their coat checks; the third, talking still to his companion, had just taken off a dark grey coat of Raglan cut, and this, with a Homburg hat, he placed on the counter. Beside these, practically at the same instant, Norristoun laid his cap and coat.

A moment later, by the same attendant, both these sets of belongings were removed and two numbered checks left on the counter in their stead. Norristoun, who found no need for haste in executing the manoeuvres he had projected—his neighbour was still deep in conversation—calmly picked up one of the numbered checks and turned away. He had left behind the cloak-room check which represented his cap and his very distinctive overcoat—and, unless something seriously inopportune occurred, he had provided himself with a disguise with which, with ordinary luck, he could hope to baffle Harper himself.

The first stage of his ingenious quick-change operation satisfactorily concluded, Norristoun strolled in apparent unconcern to an unoccupied table in the lounge and dropped into one of the chairs beside it. From his cigarette case he took his only cigarette, and when he had lighted this it would have seemed to a casual observer that he was merely, like other men about him, awaiting the belated arrival of a guest.

Actually, however, he was in a most pitiable condition of nervous trepidation, watching with ill-controlled impatience the dawdling movements of the young man whose hat he had marked down for his own use.

That there were risks to be faced Norristoun was only too uncomfortably aware. He knew that some of the West End cloak-room men were reputed to have most uncanny memories.

Norristoun noticed with satisfaction that the young man in whom he was interested was at last moving toward the grill-room.

It needed all his fast melting self-control to enable him to refrain from hastening to the cloak-room counter directly the young man had passed through the entry to the grill-room; but somehow he succeeded in managing to sit tight until his unconscious victim had settled down at his table with his party.

Then, with an affection of weariness of waiting, he rose from his chair, and pulling out his watch as he moved, walked to the foot of the stairway. There for a moment he stood, thoughtfully considering his watch-face. Of a sudden, admirably suggesting a man who had despaired of his guest and hastily made up his mind to dine elsewhere, he replaced his watch, pulled out the cloak-room check and thrust it across the counter at an attendant.

Just about thirty seconds later, externally, a very different man from the one whom Detective-inspector Harper had encountered in the fog, he stood again at the foot of the stairway. Casually, before he took an upward step, he made a final survey of the lounge, but because of the strangeness and unexpectedness of what his glance first lighted on, it advanced no further than the table at which he had been sitting a few moments before. On the very chair from which he had risen now sat Detective-inspector Harper.

Harper was apparently looking directly at him, and yet—no queer

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was this that Norristoun was almost persuaded he was the victim of an optical illusion—he made no move, nor was there a trace of recognition in his demeanour. Fascinated almost, he stared at the detective.

Persuaded of the futility of attempting escape, he nevertheless essayed it. With a tremendous effort he shook off the irresolution that held him motionless; though his limbs felt leaden he managed to mount three steps, then he ventured a backward glance. Harper was no longer looking in his direction, had stretched his legs lazily out from his chair, and seemed to have found interest in something beyond the glass screen of the grill-room.

Norristoun quickened his steps. Life and vigour were again in his limbs, fear had departed from him. His disguise, so opportunely assumed, had baffled Harper, and he felt that, having hoodwinked this famous sleuth, he need have no fear of lesser fry who had not their chief's advantage of knowing him personally. He sprang lightly up the remaining few steps, walked jauntily through the lobby, and graciously rejecting a commissionaire's offer to try to get him a taxi, stepped out into the fog.

With little difficulty he made his way to Piccadilly and there chartered a crawling taxicab.

Ten minutes or so later, having picked up his bag at Ferny-street, he was on his way to Kingston.

His journey in the cab necessarily slow, he spent in sober and reflective mood. Full understanding of what he had escaped had overtaken him, and he was shocked and chastened to think that it was only to the nimble use of his wits that he owed his liberty.

A desperate path burst explosively from him. He had remembered the cloak-room ticket which represented the £20,000, and in the same flash of memory he pictured himself in the Ferny-street flat placing the ticket carefully in the "Inside Left" (Continued on Page 11).

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RANCHI	17,000	7th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
CARTHAGE	15,000	21st Apr.	Marseilles & London.
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1933.			
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CORFU	15,000	29th Dec.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	8,000	29th Dec.	Amoy, Shanghai, Kobe & Osaka.
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NEILLORE	7,000	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
BEHAR	6,500	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
RANPURA	17,000	12th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKADA	7,000	12th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai, Kobe & Osaka.
SOUDAN	6,500	24th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	24th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
CUMORIN	15,000	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
BURDWAN	6,000	9th Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
CHITRAL	15,000	23rd Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
RANCHI	17,000	23rd Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SOMALI	6,500	21st Mar.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
CARTHAGE	15,000	23rd Mar.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
NEILLORE	7,000	6th Apr.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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IN THE FOG

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breast pocket of his overcoat. His own overcoat! The overcoat he had left in the cloak-room of the Corinthian Hotel! The £20,000 on which he was so hopefully building to start a new life was as definitely out of his reach as if it were in the bank vaults, and he, but for the few odd pounds he had about him, was a pauper.

Stunned almost by the appalling tragedy of his situation, his brain for a space refused service. He looked blankly, miserably, through the cab window at the dismal fog through which the taxi was slowly crawling to Euston. Euston Station, he thought, must be close at hand, but of what use now was it to continue his journey there?

Should he return to the Corinthian Hotel and by still another stratagem try to repossess himself of his overcoat—and the vital cloak-room ticket?

But dare he go back? And, if so, was it not already too late?

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To the second of these questions the reply held a seed of hope. The chances were that the young man whose coat he was wearing had not yet left the dinner-table, and if he had it was possible, even probable, that he would refuse to accept the coat handed to him in return for his cloak-room check. But even if the all-important coat were still in the cloak-room, rejected or still unclaimed, the prospect of making an attempt to recover it held so many risks that Norristoun felt he dare not face them.

The taxi turned off the main road into Euston Station and drew to a halt in the courtyard. Slowly and irresolutely Norristoun descended from it, and while a porter dragged out his two bags he paid the cabman mechanically.

"What train, sir?" the porter asked briskly.

Norristoun turned and looked dully, indecisively, at the man. Then, suddenly he made up his mind.

"Take the bags to the cloak-room, and bring me the ticket here as quickly as possible," he said.

A little less than twenty minutes later, having travelled by tube from King's Cross to Piccadilly, he was back again in the Corinthian Hotel. For the chance of repossessing himself of £20,000 he was prepared to face all risks.

Luck was with him from the outset. Harper had disappeared, and a glance into the grill-room assured him that the young man whose coat he wore was still at the dinner table, though his party gave signs of breaking up.

Delaying not a moment, Norristoun walked boldly to the cloak-room counter, handed over his borrowed hat and coat, and received a check for them. Then he walked to a lounge table, sat down, ordered and paid for a cigar and black coffee, and waited.

Presently he glanced at his watch. The party whose movements so vitally interested him was now fe-

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initely afoot, and he calculated, taking probable fog delays into account, that if things worked out in accordance with his hopes, he would still have time to catch his train to Liverpool.

The young man and his friends passed him on their way to collect their hats and coats. He rose and followed them. The young man pulled his cloak-room check from a waistcoat pocket and threw it on the counter; Norristoun pushed his check beside it, and they were both taken up by the same attendant. The attendant returned with both coats over an arm.

The young man swung a shilling tip on the counter and took his hat and coat; Norristoun, in a spirit of thankfulness beyond adequate expression, doubled the tip, and, with hands that trembled with the eagerness that he could not entirely suppress, took the remaining coat.

With a swift thrust of his hand as he was putting on the coat he assured himself that the £20,000 cloak-room check was still where he had placed it, and, satisfied on that head, he lost no time in removing himself from the Corinthian Hotel.

He used the tube again as the quickest means of getting from Piccadilly to Euston, arriving there exactly twelve minutes before his train was due to leave. To a porter he gave the cloak-room ticket for his two bags, directing him to find a corner seat in a first-class carriage on the Liverpool train. The ticket for the despatch case that held the £20,000 he took to the cloak-room himself.

There seemed to be some slight delay in finding the case, but eventually the attendant appeared with it, and, pausing only to tear on the attached counterfoil, thrust it across the counter to him.

Norristoun, conscious of a swift and almost overpowering sense of relief in at last having his prize securely in his possession, advanced his hand, but before it reached the case a voice, speaking his name, halted his movement. An instant constriction of his heart numbed him physically and mentally. He recognised the voice. It was Detective-inspector Harper, who spoke. Slowly he swung about and faced the detective, his face white, his lips tightened.

"I thought it was you, Mr. Norristoun," the detective said breezily. "Wasn't quite sure; you've shaved off your moustache, haven't you? Queer, running into you here. I've been telephoning to your manager this evening, and he's due to meet me here any moment now."

Norristoun felt that he was glaring murderously. Power of speech had deserted him, and his tongue was like a piece of dried stick in his mouth. Suddenly, by chance, just over Harper's shoulder he caught sight of a narrow walled passage, through which wisps of fog were drifting. Inspiration and mastery of his temporary paralysis came simultaneously. "He's got a desperate glance at the despatch case, but immediately abandoned the hope that suggested it—Harper's right hand, with apparent carelessness, was resting on it."

"You don't seem very well, Mr. Norristoun," Harper said. "But Norristoun had gone. Past the detective, through the walled passage and into the fog, he had gone without a word."

Turning to look after him, his amazement, unimaginable, Harper found himself staring at the bank manager he was expecting.

"Very funny thing, that," the de-

WIVES DENIED THE RIGHT TO EARN

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This idea has sprung up into new vigour now that times are hard and many people are unemployed, and are looking round for something and someone to blame. It received fantastic support the other day from Sir Herbert Austin, who is reported to have said that the whole question of unemployment would be solved if industrially employed women would hand over their jobs to men.

This remark is, in extremely superficial way, perfectly true, since the number of unemployed men is about the same as the number of employed women (both married and single). You could, in a technical sense and for five minutes, abolish unemployment among men by giving them the women's jobs.

Where Unemployment is Greatest But it would be as unsatisfactory as solving the problem of poverty by distributing the food, clothes, the future working of the economic and fuel now in the shops to all comers, making no provision for machine. Once one looked round, one would find that the transformation would involve many things that would hardly satisfy the male workers.

Coal-miners would find themselves ill at ease doing the work of waitresses; iron and steel workers would have to adapt themselves as best they could to the delicate work of clothing trades; the shipyard workers might disatisfy others than themselves as shop assistants, hairdressers, artificial-flower makers, and so on. For it is still, and always has been the case, that women very rarely do the same work as men.

Giving women's job to men would, therefore, involve an almost larger amount of temperamental adaptation than one could conceive possible, and an equally inconceivable amount of geographical redistribution.

For unemployment among men is greatest in the coal-fields, in the provincial factory districts, and in the ports; while the highest rates of employment among women are in London and other urban centres where the retail and luxury trades still flourish.

No Cure For Economic Ills There would be the further problem of getting these men back to their original jobs if times improved, without dislocating the industries they had invaded.

But even if one could tackle these problems, the substitution would fall to bring back the economic system to health, because women's wages are so much lower than men's that the step would do nothing to restore the purchasing power of the community to its former level.

All that would happen would be that nearly 2,000,000 men would be working in secondary instead of key industries, on wages that were never calculated for the maintenance of a family; and that 2,000,000 women, who cannot be supposed all to be able to fall back on the support of their male relatives—since so few men can offer such support in these days—will join the 250,000 women already unemployed. All this is fun to contemplate if one happens to dislike. But it is not a cure for economic ills.

tective exclaimed.

"What's that?" the bank manager asked.

"Why, your man Norristoun. I was talking to him here when suddenly he bolts off like a scared rabbit, leaving this on my hands"—he pointed to the despatch case.

"Norristoun? It's strange that he should be here; he's been away from the bank ill, for a couple of days."

"He looked ill, right enough. Sure there's nothing else wrong with him?"

"Oh, quite. He's a good man, Norristoun."

"Well, I wish he'd come back quickly for his case; we've only just got time to catch the Liverpool train. As I told you, when I telephoned from the Corinthian Hotel, they think they've caught that chap Milman, and want your identification to enable them to hold him. What shall I do with this case of Norristoun's? Don't want to drag it to Liverpool with me."

"But it's in the cloak-room," the bank manager suggested. "Let me have the check, and I'll give it to Norristoun when he gets back to work. You're just not time to do it."

"Good idea," said the detective, "but it would solve Norristoun's right if he never saw the case again."

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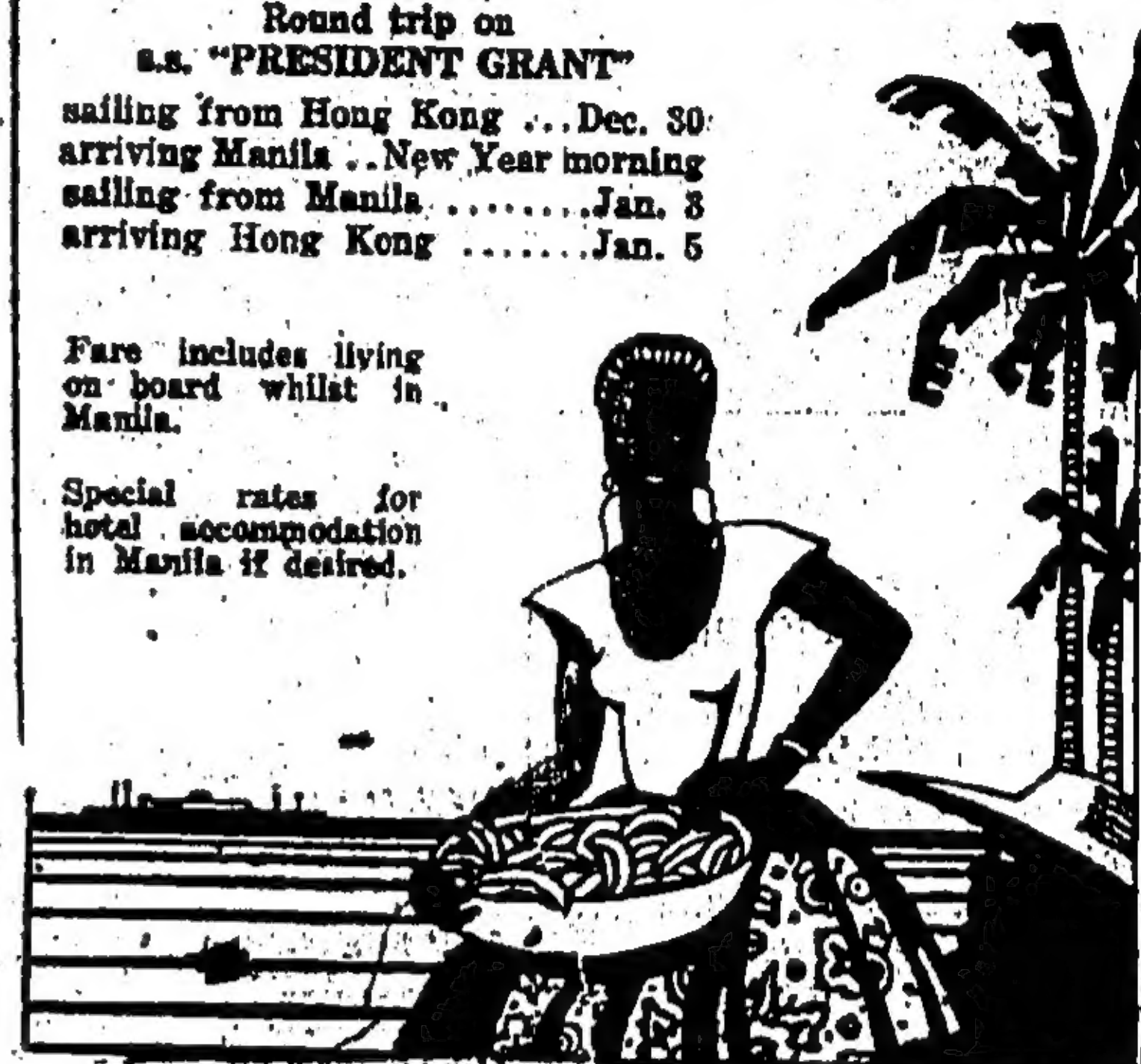
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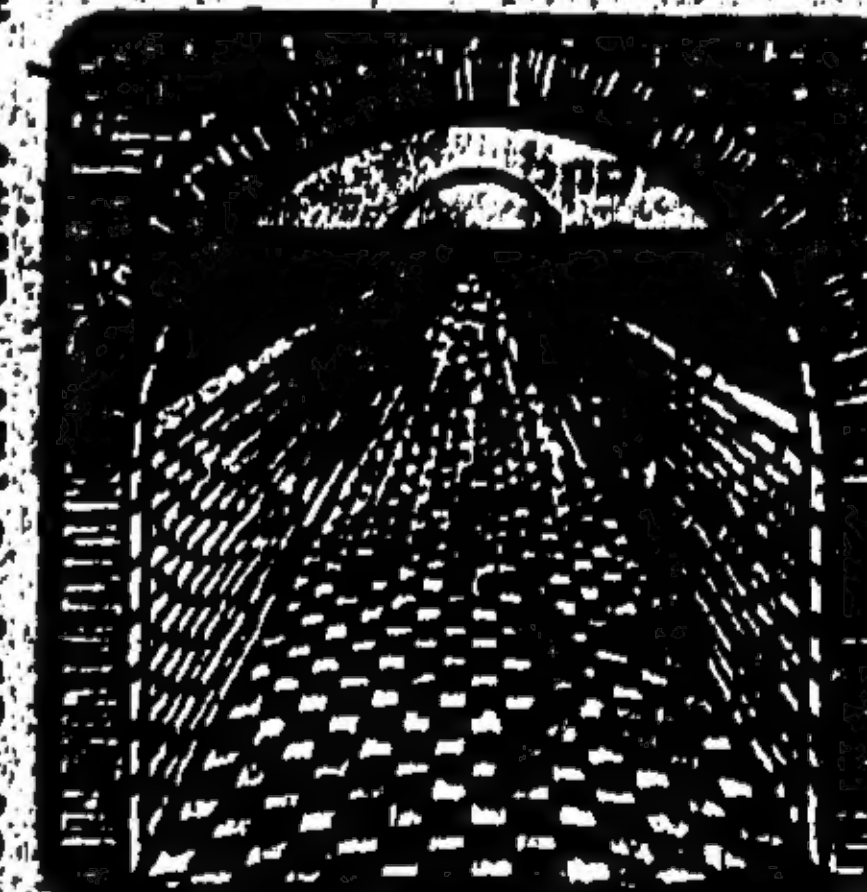
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"Three tons in excess. It is disgraceful," commented Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning when he imposed a fine of \$28, in default three weeks' hard labour, on Chan Chung-ping, a lorry-driver, for overloading his lorry.

Inspector Nicol said that the driver was in Court nearly every week, either on a summons or representing someone. The lorry carried a load of 123 bars of iron, each weighing 92 lbs.

The defendant pleaded guilty and ask for leave to obtain the money from his master to pay the fine.

"No you won't, you'll go to prison," replied the Magistrate, "I'm sick and tired of your kind." You'll have to send a message to your master," he concluded.

SIR HENRY DICKENS Condition Still Serious.

London, To-day.
Sir Henry Dickens, who was knocked down by motor-cycle on Saturday was yesterday going on as well as could be expected, but his condition still remained serious.—British Wireless Service.

Sir Henry Dickens, the surviving son of the great novelist, Charles Dickens, is aged 84.

IGNORING TRAFFIC SIGNALS

Two Drivers Fined.

GOOD RECORD SAVES
THIRD OFFENDER

Prosecuting a lorry driver, Chan Yan Hing, at the Central Magistracy this morning for disobeying a traffic signal at the corner of Jubilee Road and Connaught Road Central, opposite the Yaumati Ferry wharf, Inspector Nicol said that the defendant failed to stop when called upon to do so by the constable.

"We got him the next day," added Inspector Nicol.

The defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$15.

At Caine Road.

Lau Tai, a public vehicle driver, who was prosecuted for the same offence at the corner of Caine Road and Lower Albert Road, was described as a stranger to Hong Kong, as he usually drove in Kowloon. A Good Record.

Ng Wah, a taxi-driver, who was also summoned for disobeying a signal at the junction of Pedder Street and Connaught Road Central, was cautioned by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, the Magistrate, in view of his good record.

"I see you have not been here for four years," said the Magistrate.

SPEEDING LORRY IN BONHAM ROAD.

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"You're that sort of fellow who kills people," said Mr. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning in imposing a fine of \$30, in default one month's hard labour, on Yue Lu Kui, for driving a lorry in a reckless manner on Pokfulam Road on November 28.

Traffic Sergeant Clark, in evidence, said that he followed the defendant's lorry at a speed of 25 to 30 miles an hour along Bonham Road. It was raining at the time and the roads were wet and slippery. He could not overtake the defendant on account of the condition of the road, but followed him to Park Road, where he stopped.

"If you come before this Court again for excessive speed, I'll send your license to be cancelled," the Magistrate added.

GERMANY TO DEFAULT LOAN INTEREST

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Though the depreciation of the pound and the dollar brought a book gain of about 200,000,000 to 300,000,000 marks in the service of foreign trade, this was offset over four times by the losses suffered by Germany's international trade through currency dumping by England, Scandinavia, Japan and America. Germany's export surplus had declined 1,800,000,000 marks as compared with 1931, Dr. Schacht declared.—Reuter.

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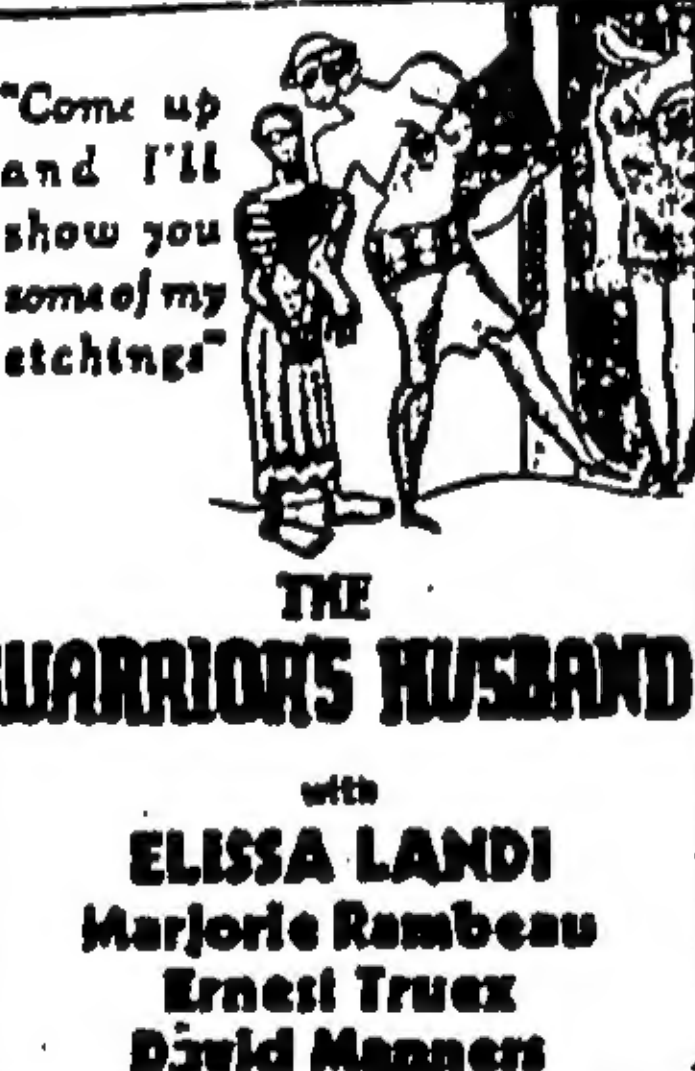


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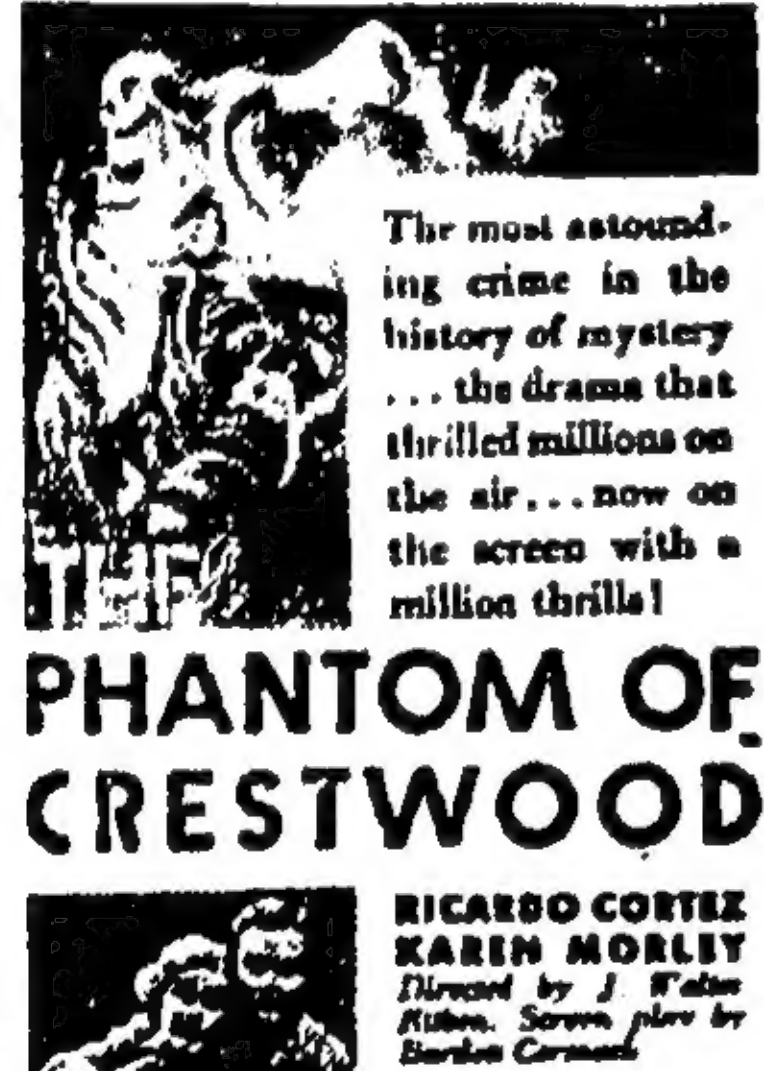
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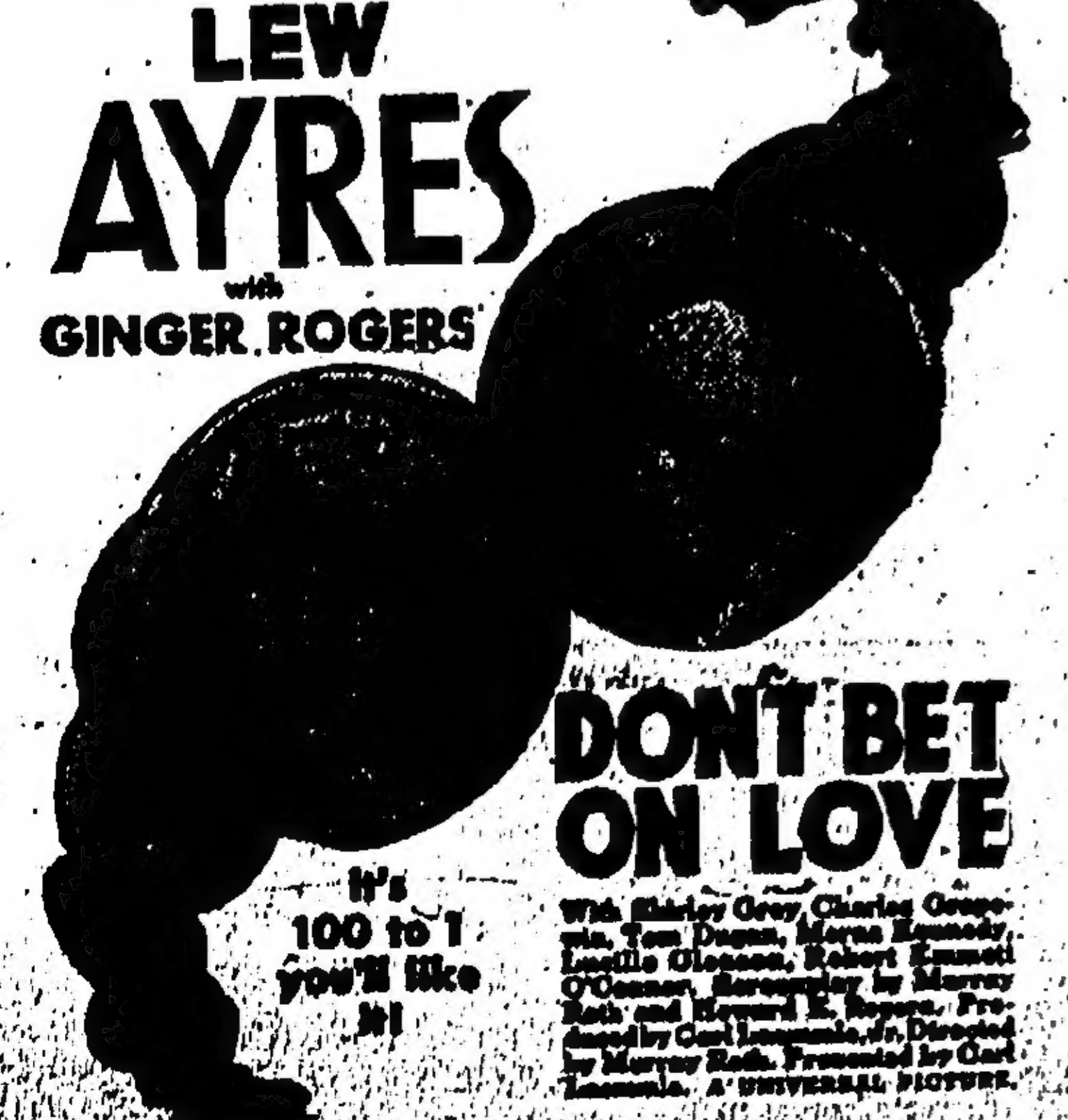


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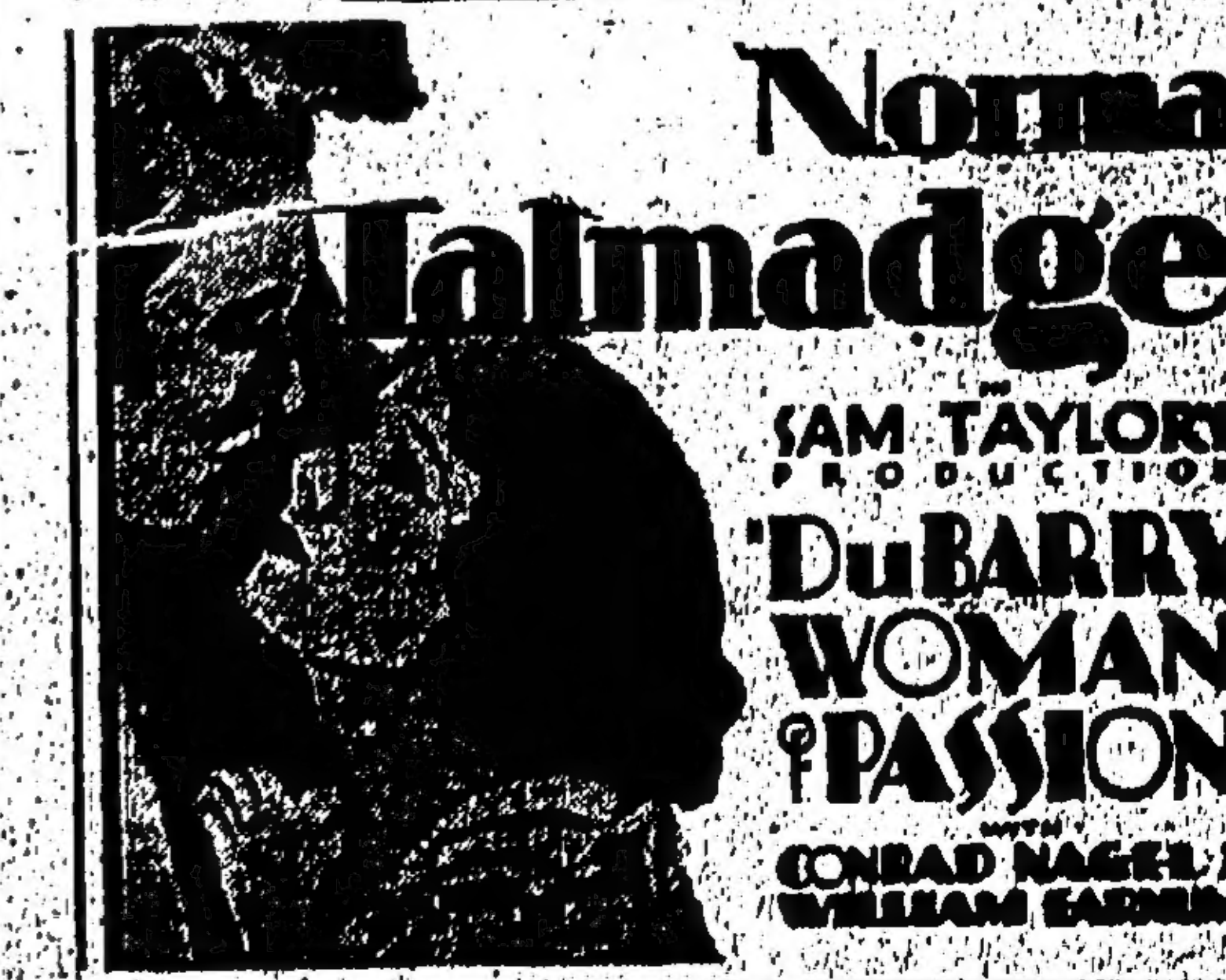
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